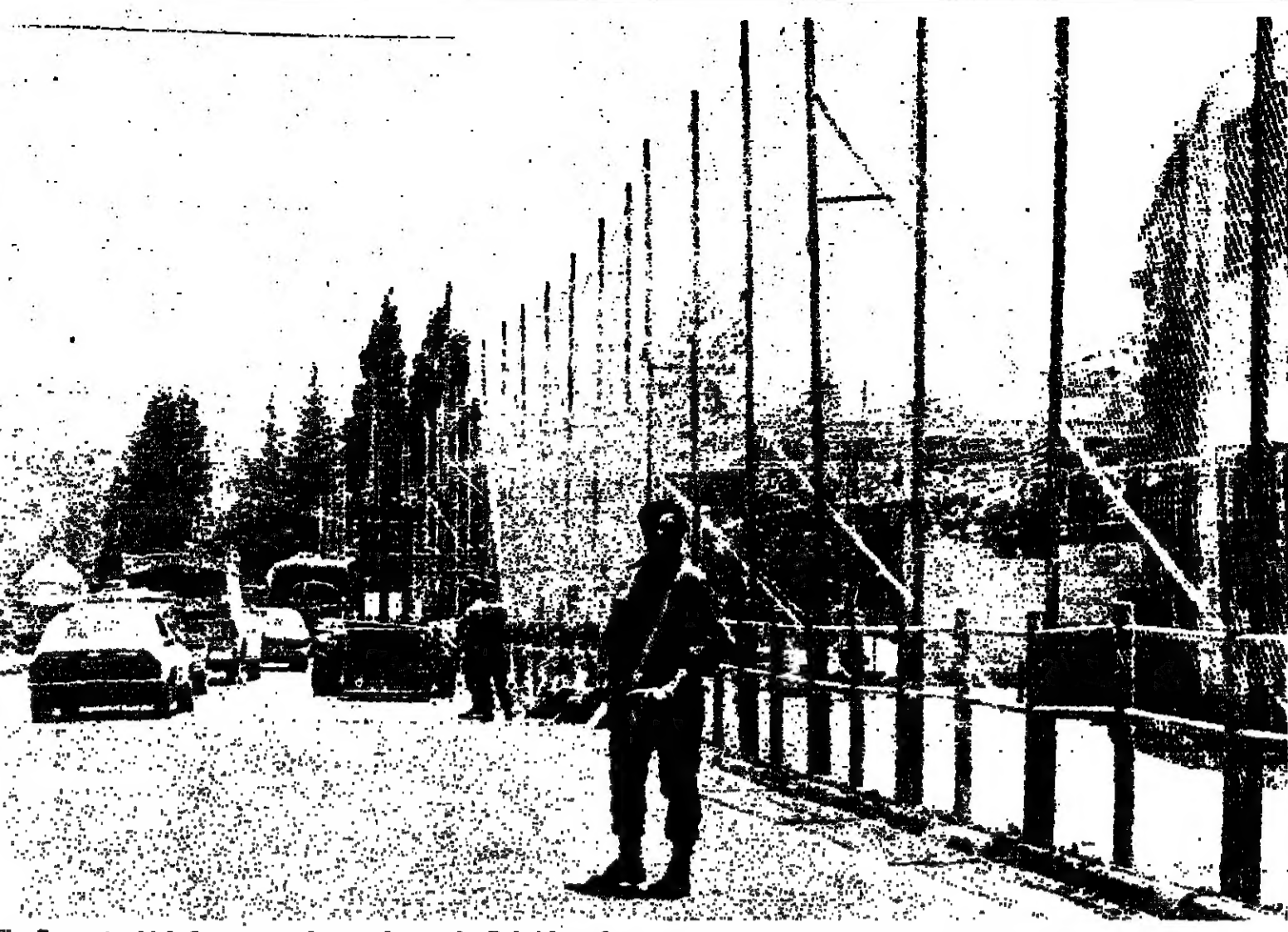


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The five-metre-high fence erected yesterday at the Dehaishe refugee camp to protect traffic from stone-throwers. (AFP)

Petrol bomb thrown at Israeli car near Hebron Dehaishe now tougher for stone-throwers

By JOEL GREENBERG and BERNARD JOSEPHS
Jerusalem Post Reporters

DEHAISHE. — IDF troops yesterday sealed a road and alley leading into the Dehaishe refugee camp, and raised and extended a fence running in front of the camp to deter stone-throwers on that stretch of the Jerusalem-Hebron highway.

The highway continued to be a focus of violent incidents last night, as a petrol bomb was hurled at an Israeli car on the outskirts of Hebron. The driver swerved to avoid the bomb, and the car overturned, lightly injuring the driver. He was treated at an IDF infirmary and later released. Troops searched the area.

The measures at Dehaishe, near Bethlehem, followed a night of violence at the camp, in which stones were thrown at three Israeli vehicles, injuring a woman, and IDF troops entered the camp in force, carrying out house-to-house searches and rounding up men for questioning. The troops, who encountered stone barricades, fired in the air and used tear gas to disperse youths who belted them with stones.

Three men from the camp have been arrested on suspicion of involvement in the stone-throwing. An IDF investigation of events during the night found that reported shooting from the camp was in fact firing by IDF soldiers. No weapons were found during the search of the camp.

IDF officers at the scene said the unrest was apparently sparked by rumours that settlers from Kiryat Arba were arriving at the camp. Jewish settlers arrested after Saturday's rampage through Dehaishe are to be charged within the next two days, police said yesterday. The 13 settlers have been held in custody since the incident, in which shots were fired and stones hurled at homes and property in the camp.

They are expected to be charged with a number of offences, including indiscriminate shooting in a populated area, assaulting troops and police who tried to halt the violence, and entering a closed military zone.

Another settler suspected of involvement in Saturday night's rampage was arrested yesterday at Kiryat Arba. He is suspected of blocking the Jerusalem-Hebron highway with his car. Yet another suspect, Rabbi Amram Yifrah, the head of the Kiryat Arba religious council, was released after police lineups showed he was not at the scene during the rioting. A settler who was arrested and held for questioning Tuesday night was later released.

Police Inspector General David Kraus said yesterday that a special team had been set up to prepare the indictments and that their work was almost complete. He said police were unlikely to request that the suspects be kept in custody after Friday.

Working under heavy guard, IDF troops yesterday erected two rows of barbed wire on a road leading into Dehaishe from which stones were thrown Tuesday night. The soldiers extended the mesh fence in front of the camp by some 250 metres and raised it to a height of five metres, above the roof level of camp homes. Another section of fence was erected on the northern outskirts of the camp.

The curfew clamped on Dehaishe on Tuesday night was lifted for two hours in the afternoon to allow residents to buy food. Heavy troop reinforcements patrolled the camp, and a helicopter circled the area.

Kiryat Arba local council head Shalom Wach, under fire from hard-line groups in the settlement, yesterday retracted his condemnation of the rampage in Dehaishe.

Rabin had been asked to expand on his statement that he stood firmly behind Mitnakh.

Did that include Mitnakh's condemnation of the attack as "an abomination"? he was asked.

"Everything he has said and done," said Rabin firmly.

The attackers had behaved like hooligans both in attacking IDF personnel, and in the subsequent attack on the camp. That sort of behaviour would not be tolerated (Continued on Page 2, Col. 6)

Rabin knocks 'hooligans'

By DVORAH GETZLER
Post Knesset Reporter

Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin stands behind everything that OC Central Command Aluf Amram Mitnakh has said and done in the wake of last Saturday night's attack on the Dehaishe refugee camp in the West Bank, the minister told the Knesset yesterday during a debate on the Dehaishe incident. He called the attackers "hooligans."

IDF soldiers fire on U.S. film crew

By BRADLEY BURSTON
For The Jerusalem Post

GAZA. — IDF troops at the Erez checkpoint on the northern border of the Gaza Strip reportedly opened fire on a car carrying an American television crew yesterday afternoon.

The incident occurred after members of the crew, attempting to film the long line of vehicles waiting to enter Gaza, were asked by soldiers not to film the scene. The crew then began to drive off towards Gaza.

The soldiers called on the driver to stop, and when he did not, they fired a warning shot in the air. The driver ignored this, too, and soldiers then reportedly fired at the vehicle.

The crew, who were not hurt, were taken to the Gaza civil administration offices.



Singing "Hatikva" at the opening of the Independent Liberal Party's 11th National Congress in Jerusalem yesterday. From left to right, Vice Premier Shimon Peres, President Chaim Herzog, Liberal leader Moshe Kol and Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir. See story, page 2. (P. Tiktiner/Media)

South African emergency extended

CAPE TOWN (Reuters). — South African President P.W. Botha last night extended a year-old national state of emergency under which there have been thousands of detentions without trial and sweeping media censorship.

Botha made the announcement to Parliament here some 24 hours before the emergency was due to expire.

The emergency, imposed to clamp down on political unrest that has left 2,500 dead in black townships, has resulted in a sharp decline in violence, according to the government's Bureau for Information.

Botha told Parliament that emergency rule was still needed to contain political unrest.

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Absentee Lavi steals the show

By AVI HOFFMANN
Post Aviation Reporter

PARIS. — While not physically present, the Lavi fighter plane is dominating the Israeli exhibition at the 1987 Paris Air Show. The plane forms the focus of the Israel Aircraft Industries pavilion and is presented as the miracle of Israeli aerospace achievements.

Among these achievements is the successful testing of a ship-borne anti-missile missile, the Barak, developed jointly by IAI and Rafael, the armaments development authority. Announcing this, the president of IAI, Moshe Keret, said that the Barak had been ordered by another navy as well as the Israel Navy. This naval defence system had become especially important in the light of recent events in the Persian Gulf, Keret remarked.

IAI was also engaged in developing a missile system against medium range ballistic missiles. This was part of Israel's participation in the American Strategic Defence Initiative or

"Star Wars" programme.

Keret also announced at a press conference that IAI this week submitted a bid to supply the U.S. Air Force with six Astra business jets. No American aircraft fitted the U.S.'s requirements and IAI was competing with a British and a Canadian aircraft. (The Israel Air Force uses the planes for flight inspection and calibration.) Sales of the Astra jet have picked up in recent months, following a worldwide slump in business jets sales.

IAI had a record turnover in 1986-87, recording sales of \$1.1 billion, more than 60 per cent of this in exports. IAI will be flying two aircraft at the show: the Astra, and the so-called super Phantom which is fitted with two of the Lavi's American-made Pratt and Whitney PW1120 engines.

The super Phantom will be seen for the first time in public in Paris and represents a joint venture by IAI, the Israel Air Force and Pratt and Whitney.

This is an example of joint undertakings, which seem to be the direction in which the aerospace industry is heading, especially in large-scale projects such as the Lavi, Keret said.

Stoutly defending the Lavi, Keret declared that this was more than an airplane, and added that the two prototypes had completed over 50 test flights, exceeding performance expectations. He called on the Israeli government to make a quick and positive decision on the fate of the plane. Keret said that \$1.3 billion was needed to complete development of the Lavi. This was in addition to the \$1.5b. already spent.

Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin opens the Israeli exhibition today. The exhibition consists of the IAI pavilion and one other pavilion housing 18 companies organized by the Israel Export Institute.

Rabin will be meeting President Mitterrand and other senior French officials today. Mitterrand's meeting with the visiting defence minister is seen as a gesture to Israel.

Venice summit ends

Allied leaders pledge fight on Aids, call for end to apartheid

VENICE. — Allied leaders, winding up their three-day summit yesterday, pledged increased efforts to combat Aids and called for the dismantling of the apartheid regime of South Africa.

The leaders of the seven leading industrial democracies also expressed support for the international campaign against drug abuse, promised to back Philippine President Corason Aquino's government and to defuse threats to Western security and the world economy.

Italian Premier Amintore Fanfani, host of the meeting, read the final communiqué to a news conference as French President François Mitterrand, Japanese Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone, West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl and U.S. President Ronald Reagan followed the text.

The remarks concerning drugs and South Africa were in extra statements, which Fanfani read in addition to the communiqué.

"We agreed that a peaceful and lasting solution can only be found to

the present crisis if the apartheid regime is dismantled and replaced by a new form of democratic, non-racial government," Fanfani said.

When the leaders adjourned from their final working session, they crossed St. Mark's basin in a procession of motor launches.

A flotilla of craft, ranging from speed boats to Italian Navy frigates, guarded the leaders on the water, while troops on the shore stood watch. Helicopters were positioned above.

Security at the summit conference was tightened after bombs went off on Wednesday at the U.S. and British embassies in Rome, and a suspicious — but harmless — object was found in the lagoon.

The closing statement covered a wide range of economic goals, including agreement to coordinate efforts to sustain economic growth and reduce trade tensions. The lead-

ers reaffirmed a recent agreement by their finance ministers on ways to stabilize the dollar.

The section on Aids called for increased international cooperation in combating the disease, but cautioned that any measures against Aids must be "in accordance with the principles of human rights."

The leaders called Aids "one of the biggest potential health problems in the world. In the absence of a vaccine or cure, the best hope for the combat and prevention of Aids rests on a strategy based on educating the public about the seriousness of the Aids epidemic, the ways the Aids virus is transmitted and the practical steps each person can take to avoid acquiring or spreading it."

The leaders also said that their nations should encourage efforts to tackle environmental problems of worldwide impact, including ozone depletion, climate change, acid rain, hazardous substances, pollution and destruction of tropical forests. (AP, Reuters)

Tamir tiff spikes China visit

By BENNY MORRIS

A personal and budgetary wrangle between the foreign and agriculture ministries, and the reported reaction by Foreign Ministry director-general Avraham Tamir, have prevented Israel's attendance at the conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) currently taking place in Beijing, Israel's failure to send a delegation to the meeting marks a major deviation from its standing policy of trying to exploit every avenue of entry into China.

According to well-placed sources in Jerusalem, when the FAO invitation arrived, Tamir proposed that the delegation of Israelis to Peking should be composed of agricultural experts and "a political element."

The sources said that Tamir submitted to the FAO his own name and that of Yitzhak Minervi, the Foreign Ministry's assistant director-general for economic affairs. Tamir denies that he put forward his own name for the delegation.

The sources suggested that had Tamir proposed the names of lesser Foreign Ministry officials, a delegation with "a political element" could have entered China.

The FAO, after consulting with the conference's Chinese hosts, replied that the meeting was for experts and Tamir and Minervi would be unsuitable. Tamir then decided that as no Foreign Ministry officials would be participating, the ministry would not finance the sending of any Agriculture Ministry officials.

"I refused to accept (the FAO and Chinese) conditions. We told the Agriculture Ministry to do what it liked," says Tamir.

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O'Connor fails to shake witness

By ERNIE MEYER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

BERLIN. — John Demjanjuk's defence counsel, Mark O'Connor, in a tension-filled session here yesterday, subjected prosecution witness Otto Horn to seven-and-a-half hours of cross-examination that challenged his credibility in general and his testimony on specific points.

The 83-year-old former Treblinka guard stood up remarkably well under the strain, which had the young German woman interpreter asking to be replaced after five hours. Except for being hard of hearing, the wiry old man, who has a full head of white hair, seemed extremely fit.

O'Connor scored what was probably his greatest success towards the end of the session, when he got the German supervising judge, Hans-Juergen Mueller, to admit into evidence the document Horn signed at the U.S. consulate in Berlin in 1983. Although the document's contents were not revealed, The Jerusalem Post learned that it contained a retraction of Horn's 1979 identification of Demjanjuk as the Ivan who operated the gas chambers at Treblinka and was known for his singular viciousness.

O'Connor: "You were at the office of the U.S. consul on August 19, 1983 and put your name to a document?"

Horn: "Yes, but I did not read the document at the time."

O'Connor: "Was it not read out to you?"

Horn: "No. I thought it was by the same U.S. Justice Department people who were with me in 1979. That's why I did not read it."

O'Connor: "You mean to say you would sign anything as long as it comes from the U.S. Justice Department?"

Horn: "Yes, that's what I assumed."

O'Connor: "Did the vice consul (Continued on back page)



Mortars near Ba'abda

BEIRUT (Reuters). — Mortar bombs exploded near the palace of Christian Lebanese President Amin Jemayel yesterday in an apparent expression of mounting Moslem impatience with the pace of investigations into the murder of Prime Minister Rashid Karamah.

They were fired as Moslem political

leaders, militia chiefs and leftist party bosses gathered in Damascus to discuss the formation of a new Syrian-backed front aimed at putting pressure on Jemayel and on Christian hardliners.

Police said the three mortar bombs caused no casualties.

Charlie Biton meets PLO officials

MK Charlie Biton (Democratic List for Peace and Equality) met yesterday in Budapest with two PLO officials, Mahmoud Abbas and Abdel Razeq Yehieh, Israel Radio reported.

PLO chief Yasser Arafat's deputy, Abu Iyad, announced that a wider forum would be convened today to include five PLO officials and 22 Israelis. He said that the PLO wants to convene a conference of Palestinian and Israeli writers and poets.

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HOME NEWS

Sharon surprises rabbinate with wheat deal

By ANDY COURT, DVORA GETZLER and HAIM SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporters

Industry and Trade Minister Ariel Sharon stung the country's Chief Rabbinate and angered the country's farmers yesterday by announcing his decision to export a significant portion of this country's bumper wheat crop and import an equal amount from the U.S., in order to placate the country's *haredi* (ultra-Orthodox) rabbis.

"I respect rabbis," Sharon said, "and when rabbis turn to me and present a problem that concerns the

shmita [Sabbatical] year, my job is to find a solution; and I provided a solution which will not hurt the farmers. And the growing Jewish public that wants to observe *shmita* will be able to do so."

Sharon's announcement stunned the Chief Rabbinate, which was in the middle of negotiations with Industry and Trade Ministry officials.

"Minister Sharon didn't consult with us, and didn't advise us that he was going to take this step," Rabbi Gideon Perl, an assistant to Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi Avraham Shapira, told *The Jerusalem Post* last night.

Asked which rabbis Sharon had

been referring to when he said he had decided to follow the advice "of the rabbis," Perl replied, "He must have been talking about MK Avraham Shapira. He [Sharon] sold himself to the Agudat Yisrael. He'll pay millions of dollars at the expense of the Jewish people."

The country's wheat farmers, meanwhile, were also furious. David Dor, secretary of the Israel Association of Field Crop Workers, said that the Trade Ministry owes growers \$8 million for wheat already harvested and has refused to sign a contract committing itself to a previously agreed-upon price per ton.

The farmers will either go to the High Court or stage public protests if the matter is not clarified soon, he said.

The reason for all the hard feelings is that this has been one of the country's best wheat harvest years ever, but it is also a sabbatical year, in which Jewish farmers in the land of Israel are required by religious law to let their fields lie fallow. In cooperation with the Chief Rabbinate, the country's 400 wheat growers, mostly kibbutzim and moshavim, went through a procedure whereby they symbolically sold their land for one year to a non-Jew.

The procedure satisfies the Chief Rabbinate, but not the *haredi* community, which has demanded that all the country's wheat be imported regardless of this year's bumper crop.

Israel consumes about 650,000 tons of wheat in an average year: between 250,000 and 260,000 tons were produced in this season's exceptional harvest. But many bakers and producers of grain products don't want to lose their ultra-Orthodox customers, and consequently don't want to buy locally produced grain this year. For this reason, the Trade Ministry is trying

to export some 75,000 tons of this year's harvest, according to ministry Director-General Yoram Blizovsky.

Speaking in the Knesset yesterday, Sharon insisted that it was respect for religion—and not the desire to score political points with the ultra-Orthodox—that had motivated his action on the issue.

He said he rejoiced in the growth in the number of those observing *shmita*.

"Why not set a personal example?" Mapam MK Elazar Granot asked.

Sharon made no reply.

Independent Liberals respond warmly to Peres message

By DVORA GETZLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

If Shimon Peres is looking for the support for an international peace conference that he cannot find in the government or the Knesset, he found it last night at the Independent Liberal Party's 11th national congress in Jerusalem.

It was Peres's night as he picked up the gauntlet thrown down by Premier Yitzhak Shamir and waved it triumphantly aloft to the rhythmic applause of the 601 delegates from over 100 branches who crowded the hall at the Laromme Hotel.

Shamir, who spoke first, made a bold bid for the veteran ILP. He flattered the party's bruised and battered ego by invoking the memory of Pinhas Rosen in the centenary year of the party leader's birth.

The ILP, which has not held such a national gathering for 10 years, may well decide not to perpetuate the current arrangement with Labour. But it left Peres in no doubt that Labour would enjoy its support in whatever electoral configuration the party decides on in the next few days.

And if Peres, like so many others, had the vision of a party of pensioners, he must have been surprised to see a very high proportion of young faces, men and women in their twenties, thirties and forties.

"There are more youngsters here than usual in political congresses," a veteran newsmen noted.

One young man, a male nurse from Rishon LeZion, confessed that he had been a Likud voter prior to joining the party eight years ago. "The Likud was just too extreme. There'll never be peace with them," he said.



Hottest commodity in Tokyo's department stores these days is Antarctic ice. The imported ice comes in plastic bags for 850 yen (\$6) per bag. (Reuters)

Dulzin prepares for showdown

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN
Zionist leaders representing all political parties yesterday rallied behind World Zionist Organization and Jewish Agency chairman Arye Dulzin in preparation for the expected showdown at the Jewish Agency assembly meeting that opens on June 21.

Declaring their "complete support" for Dulzin, they called on the Zionist General Council, which convenes next Monday, to "find a suitable means of giving expression" to their position.

Their action was taken at the close of a two-day meeting of the Zionist Executive, the ZGC presidium, and heads of Zionist federations from abroad.

insult to the Zionist movement," and Avraham Duvdevani (Machshimim-Bnei Akiva) asked, "Do we have the guts to stand up to them?"

Raya Jaglom (Wizo) went even further and proposed, in retaliation, that the ZGC demand that Jerold Hoffberger, chairman of the agency's board of governors, step down when his term expires with the meeting of the agency assembly. Hoffberger has expressed a wish to stay on until the Zionist Congress meets in December.

One observer saw the declared support for Dulzin as being not so much for the man as for the holder of the highest office in the Zionist movement, and including a sprinkling of self-interest to boot.

But their support fell short of the call made by some speakers for the annulment of the letter Dulzin was forced to sign in February, promising that he would not seek reelection when his second term expires in December.

Dulzin's signing was part of a deal in which the Jewish Agency fund-raisers agreed not to press for his resignation over his role in the Bank Leumi-Ernest Japhet affair and other alleged shortcomings.

Nissim Eliad (Independent Liberals) called the forced signing "an

After all, this interpretation has it, the fund-raisers had forced the retirement of Raphael Kotlowitz as head of the WZO's Aliya Department, and they followed that up with the Dulzin letter. Unless they were stopped, who could say whose head would be the next to roll.

In what was obviously meant as an attack on the fund-raisers, Dulzin on Tuesday declared that the agency had been "in stagnation" for the past four years as a result of power struggles between the Zionist movement representatives and the fund-raisers.

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Hanan Bar-On, until recently deputy director of the Foreign Ministry, has been appointed vice-president for foreign relations and public affairs of the Weizmann Institute of Science.

Radio ga-ga with work stoppage

By GREER FAY CASHMAN
Fed up with the Treasury for withholding a 6 per cent retroactive pay hike awarded by the Labour court last year, Israel Broadcasting Authority technicians yesterday stopped work between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m., and again between 5 and 6.30 p.m.

All broadcasts on Israel Radio's first and second programmes were cancelled between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. with the exception of news bulletins. Film crews refused to work between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. and this caused disruptions in last night's *Mabat* news programme. The late afternoon sanctions blocked all children's shows and delayed the evening broadcasts by an hour.

Though the IBA management has supported the technicians throughout their battle for retroactive pay hikes, it did not condone yesterday's sanctions. It issues a statement affirming that the public should not be the victim of labour disputes.

The Treasury is willing to pay a wage increase retroactive from April 1, 1986, but the technicians are demanding that it be retroactive from April 1, 1985, as ruled by the Labour court.

Frantic phone calls yesterday from the IBA to the Histadrut failed to dissuade the technicians from disrupting programmes. The IBA has called a meeting from today with Histadrut and Treasury representatives. But the only solution as far as the technicians are concerned is payment in full. If it is not forthcoming, sanctions are likely to increase.

Peace, the rule of law, tolerance, an end to religious coercion—those were the watchwords that brought the applause. And any reference to the difference between the ILP and Liberals of any other designation.

President Chaim Herzog spoke of the period of the Six Day War as the last golden age of national consensus. He lamented the decline in the level of public discussion in a bitterly divided society, though he was careful to say that he meant no specific party. And he, too, won his round of applause for praising the ILP's devotion to the rule of law.

But mayor Teddy Kollek was obviously the darling of the evening. Liberal Centre leader Arye Dulzin, on the rostrum as World Zionist Organization head, did not fare so well, though the Ashkenazim, Sephardim, Arabs, Druze, Ethiopians, city dwellers, kibbutz and moshav members heard him out politely.

But Dulzin's way will not be theirs, though the ILP may well merge with some of the Liberal Centre and with Shinui, whose MK Mordechai Yehushai was almost the only Knesset member present to honour the party.

Party leader Moshe Kol put the sense of the hope and the new determination succinctly in his speech: "We have not been bought, we have never bought anyone. We must now go forward. We have a future."

The carriage of history was running alongside the state right now, Peres said, quoting French Socialist leader Francois Mitterrand. "We cannot ask it to wait while we decide whether we are going to climb aboard on the journey towards peace. We must try, now. We may not succeed. But we must make that effort."

And the clapping swept round and round the hall as he sat down.

Information withheld from state comptroller

By ASHER WALLFISH
Post Knesset Correspondent

State Comptroller Ya'akov Malz said yesterday that he had been stymied recently in obtaining material and documentation from bodies subject to his inspection.

Malz told the Knesset's State Control Committee that the recalcitrant bodies backed up their refusal with the argument that the information was classified, and quoted legal opinions from their own legal advisers to substantiate this.

The comptroller was replying to a question from Yair Taaban (Mapam).

Malz said that while he could not tolerate the refusal of any inspected body to furnish material on any grounds whatsoever, for the time being he preferred to adopt the methods of "peaceful persuasion."

In fact the comptroller has no teeth in this respect and can only appeal to the minister who has parliamentary responsibility for the recalcitrant body involved.

The State Comptroller's Law merely says, in article II (e), that the comptroller is "authorized to demand" all material from the inspected body. It does not spell out any sanctions for refusal.

The chairman of the State Control Committee Prof. David Liba'i said later, in reply to a reporter's question, that the law was inadequate.

Liba'i said that the joint subcommittee of his panel and the Law Committee, which is currently working on new legislation in the form of a Basic Law: State Comptroller, would certainly insert a clause spelling out the comptroller's powers. This would totally rule out refusals to furnish the comptroller with material.

Liba'i said the previous state comptroller, Yitzhak Tunik, told the Bejski commission of inquiry into the bank shares collapse that the Bank of Israel at one point had tried to withhold material from him, with the excuse that it was "classified."

Tunik did not resist and pressured the bank, Liba'i said.

In the meantime, Liba'i said, the State Control Committee could solve the problem faced now by Malz, by conferring on him the authority of a judicial commission of inquiry with respect to the recalcitrant body. Following that, Liba'i said, any refusal to furnish information would put the body in question in contravention of the law.

Malz did not tell the MKs which bodies were causing the trouble.

Kids reflect prejudices

Ethiopian immigrant children identify with light-skinned dolls, and believe that "fair is beautiful," according to a recent study by a Beersheba psychologist.

Sara Munitz, who studied the attitudes of Ethiopian and other elementary school pupils to skin colour, found that the black children had an unrealistic image of their bodies, and the white children were prejudiced against darker ones, Israel Radio reported yesterday.

Munitz developed a self-awareness programme designed to allow mixed groups of elementary school children to discover and respect the differences between them and accept their own identities.

The children measure, weigh and draw themselves, play with variously coloured dolls and discuss their differences. The programme ends with each child preparing a detailed identity card of himself, describing his personal attributes.

RABIN

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any longer, Rabin vowed.

But for the most part the minister's answer to the motions for the agenda was a replay of the remarks he made last week in a debate on terror in the territories in the wake of the murder of eight-year-old Rami Hahab.

Only peace would halt terror, but until peace was attained and the political status of the territories was decided the IDF was charged with ensuring that all the residents of the territories, Jews and Arabs alike, live in peace. To that end, the IDF would use all lawful means to apprehend and punish terrorists.

But that was for the IDF to do. It was not the settlers' job, he said.

The settlers lived in the territories by virtue of the protection the IDF afforded them. And they lived there at their own risk and must take their chances against terror, as did all Israelis, whether within the pre-1967 border or outside it.

Left-wing speakers in the debate reiterated that the solution to the problem was a complete withdrawal from the territories.

But Labour's Amnon Lymn, while condemning the settler's attack which he termed a "pogrom"—over the heated objections of Tehiya MKs Gusha Cohen and Yuval Ne'eman—insisted nevertheless that draconic deterrent punishment was needed not for the settlers but for Arab terrorists. And that should include the death penalty in certain cases.

"What you want is half tea and half coffee," an exasperated Cohen told Lymn as he finished speaking.

Tehiya MK and former chief of general staff Rafael Eitan yesterday defended Aluf Amram Mitzna's right to express himself however he likes. Mitzna, who is OC Central Command, has been attacked by Kiyat Arba settlers for calling a Jewish rampage in the Dheisheh refugee camp "an abomination."

"If I were in his place, I might have said something else, or the same thing, or even something more forceful," Eitan said on Israel Radio last night. "He was voicing his feelings, in his own words. We shouldn't examine army commanders' every expression," he said.

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Tiberias	49	18-34	35
Nazareth	49	16-26	27
Afula	46	18-32	33
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Likud expects deal today with Abuhatzzeira

By MENACHEM SHALEV
Post Political Reporter

The Likud's campaign to prevent early elections is expected to produce an agreement in principle with Tami MK Aharon Abuhatzzeira today, assuring him of a safe slot in the Likud's election list.

A draft of the agreement promises Abuhatzzeira a place among the first 12 Likud candidates for the next Knesset, with a second place reserved for another Tami candidate between the 42nd and 46th slot.

Policeman convicted for bashing boy

A Border Policeman was convicted in the Jerusalem District Court yesterday of causing injury in aggravated circumstances to a 7-year-old Arab boy.

Yona Zuchov, 24, admitted that he had apprehended the boy three weeks ago as the latter walked out of Mograb Gate on the Temple Mount towards the Western Wall area. He dragged the boy to the Wall and beat his head against it, causing wounds that required several stitches.

The policeman, who has been under arrest since the incident, underwent psychiatric testing and was declared fit to stand trial.

He is to be sentenced at the end of the month. (Itim)

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Polls give Conservatives 7-8% lead

British voters go to polls today

By DAVID HOROVITZ
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
LONDON. — If either Margaret Thatcher or Neil Kinnock is feeling the strain of three-and-a-half weeks on the election trail, neither of them gave any sign of it at their final news conferences yesterday.

Labour leader Kinnock, as affable and unflappable as he has been throughout, told reporters at party HQ in Kennington that "Labour will win a majority" in today's election, and argued that the Conservatives were "unfit to rule."

Conservative leader Thatcher, armed with the latest opinion poll predictions for an overall Conservative majority, was as firm and earnest as she had been a month ago when calling the election, asserting that she would be returned to No.

10, and that the electorate quite rightly has a fear of the "more extreme" Labour Party.

Only the Alliance leaders, David Owen and David Steel, look the worse for wear, their tired expressions contrasting sharply with the bright yellow ties and rosettes they had hoped would herald a golden era for their party. Analysts say that the Alliance's gradual fall away in third place was the price of its over-intellectual approach to the campaign.

The two nationwide polls released yesterday put the Conservative lead at some 7 to 8 per cent, suggesting a House of Commons majority of between 30 and 50 seats. This ties in with the past five nationwide polls which, averaged out, give the Tories 43 per cent, Labour 34, and the Alliance 22.

Throughout the campaign, however, Labour supporters have pointed to findings in marginal polls as evidence that the final vote may be a lot closer than is generally imagined. A BBC poll in Labour-Conservative marginal seats yesterday showed a swing to Labour of seven per cent, giving Labour 45 per



British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and Conservative Party chairman Norman Tebbit confidently point the way during the party's final press conference of the election campaign yesterday. (AFP)

cent, the Conservatives 40 and the Alliance 15.

Thatcher did not appear bothered by these figures, as she helicoptered around the south of England yesterday.

A prediction of bad weather — and the lower turn-out it brings — may favour the Tories, who also have the advantage of a better-established organization for taking voters by car to the polls.

Over 2,000 protesters detained in Korea

SEOUL (Reuters). — A student lay dying, policemen were badly beaten, a train was commandeered and government offices torched in a day of anti-government protests across South Korea yesterday which ended with more than 2,000 detained.

Thousands of protesters, led by dissident leader Kim Young Sam, clashed with teargas-firing riot police in the streets of the capital, demanding the resignation of President Chun Doo Hwan and a return to full democracy.

Similar clashes were reported in the southeastern city of Masan and other provincial areas, but no details were immediately available.

Opposition groups also were protesting against the governing Democratic Justice Party's confirmation of Roh Tae Woo, a former general, to take over when the president's 7-year term runs out in February.

In one of the worst incidents in Seoul, eye-witnesses said one policeman suffered severe head injuries when his unit ran out of teargas and hundreds of students disarmed them and battered them with rocks. The witnesses said at least five more officers were hurt.

As Chun and top ministers and ruling party officials attended a gala reception at the Hilton Hotel, an estimated 2,000 students took control of surrounding streets, a local police post was gutted, and 20 police were besieged in a restaurant for half an hour before being rescued.

The state radio said more than 2,000 people had been detained across the country. It said those found to be ringleaders or instigators of violence would face charges, while the others would be released.

In Seoul alone, more than 400 were known to have been arrested. In the capital's main avenue, hundreds of cars and buses were blocked by protesters in a 20-minute cacophony and churches and temples tolled their bells to signal disapproval of government policies.

It was one of the worst nights of violence the capital has seen since Chun, then the military strongman, consolidated his hold on power in 1980.

The demonstrations in Seoul and about 20 other cities were called jointly by Kim's Reunification Democratic Party (RDP) and the so-called headquarters of the National Campaign for a Democratic Constitution.

About 200 RDP members went on hunger strike in their Seoul office, alleging police brutality.

If U.S. intervenes, Iran vows to turn Gulf into 'graveyard'

NICOSIA, Cyprus. — State-run Teheran Radio said yesterday that Iran would turn the Gulf into a "graveyard" in the event of an American intervention, after earlier warning that it could attack U.S. nuclear reactors.

"In the event of an aggressive intervention in the Persian Gulf by American forces, the region will be turned into a graveyard for aggressors and their allies," said the radio, monitored here.

The radio commented late on Tuesday: "U.S. interests throughout the world are so scattered and uncontrollable that, should America become embroiled with the Islamic Republic, the vulnerability of the U.S. administration would be high."

That commentary said the U.S. warning that it will attack Chinese-made HY2 Silkworm anti-ship missiles deployed on the strategic Strait of Hormuz, gateway to the Gulf, was premature.

"Contrary to what they claim, (they) are unable to accept the risk of attacking Iranian missile bases in the Persian Gulf or other forms of confrontation."

It added: "U.S. centres and nuclear reactors can be more vulnerable than the missile bases of the Islamic Republic of Iran."

The radio did not specify any targets or their locations and did not elaborate on its threat to attack. It appeared to be another warning in a series of threats the Iranians have been making in recent weeks to show their willingness to fight the Americans if they attacked Iranian forces.

The Iranians have threatened to carry out suicide operations against U.S. warships in the Gulf or raid Arab Gulf bases which the Americans are allowed to use for an attack on Iran.

But in general, apart from the rhetorical threats, they have repeatedly said a war with the U.S. is unlikely.

Kamal Kharrazi, spokesman of Iran's war information headquarters, was quoted by the radio as saying recent reports that as a precautionary measure, the U.S. may attack the Silkworm missiles were "psychological propaganda."

He said when the Americans plan to attack somewhere, they do not

normally announce it in advance, as they did not in Grenada in 1983. He said it was also a way to sell arms to Arab countries of the Gulf.

In other developments, U.S. Defence Secretary Caspar Weinberger said U.S. naval protection of 11 Kuwaiti vessels in the Gulf may begin next month. At a hearing before the House of Representatives Armed Services Committee he said the Reagan administration was committed to putting U.S. flags on 11 Kuwaiti ships and protecting them against Iranian attack.

A Greek-owned tanker was damaged by explosions in the northern end of the Gulf, but the captain said yesterday he did not know what hit his ship.

Gulf-based shipping sources earlier reported that the 274,829-ton Ethnik hit a mine, apparently laid by Iranian Revolutionary Guards, off Kuwait.

Iraq is observing a self-imposed halt to attacks on shipping in the Gulf in what diplomats see as a show of support for Western efforts to end the Iraq-Iran war. (Reuters, AP)

'Iron Lady's' mate wears a fixed grin

LONDON (Reuters). — "Where's D.T.?" called out Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher when she realized her husband was again lost in a crowd as she campaigned for a third term of office.

Denis Thatcher, the much-parodied spouse of Britain's "Iron Lady," has faithfully accompanied the 61-year-old Conservative leader on her three-week drive towards today's general election, greeting voters with a fixed grin.

Asked by one constituent whether he was enjoying the round of factory visits and rallies, the 72-year-old businessman replied stoically: "I certainly make it look as though I do."

Despite professed enthusiasm, he once admitted that playing consort to Britain's first elected woman leader does have its trying moments: "Sometimes one does sit down and think — is it all worthwhile?"



Denis Thatcher (Camera Press)

Witness describes Auschwitz horrors

LYONS (AFP). — A witness at the trial of former Gestapo chief Klaus Barbie yesterday described the horrors of the notorious Auschwitz extermination camp.

Marie-Claude Vaillant-Couturier, 74, a one-time deputy speaker of the French National Assembly, was one in a series of historical witnesses testifying at Barbie's trial for crimes against humanity.

Vaillant-Couturier, a former Resistance leader who gave evidence to the 1946 Nuremberg war crimes tribunal, was arrested in 1942 by police working for the Vichy government. Vaillant-Couturier, who spent 18 months in the camp, was told by a Gestapo officer before her deportation: "You are going to a German concentration camp from which people never return."

The gas chamber, she said, was "a simple wooden cabin hermetically sealed from the inside."

Describing mass executions at Auschwitz in the summer of 1944, Vaillant-Couturier said, "That summer, a considerable number of Jews arrived from Hungary. Convoys came in day and night."

"Out of 1,000 people, barely 250 men aged 25 to 45 entered the camp. The rest were executed less than an hour later, and big flames could be seen rising out of the crematoriums," she recalled.

"I also saw women being torn apart by dogs, and SS officers putting other women on trucks that would take them to the gas chambers, whipping them all the way up to the door."

She said naked, skeletal women were lined up in groups of five and sent to the gas chamber. She described how dying victims struggled to drag themselves out of the pile of bodies in front of the infirmary, how Jewish babies were drowned in water buckets at birth and women were sterilized.

At dawn, she went on, women were told to stand out in the snow all around the camp and left there till nightfall, when they were ordered to run into the shanties.

"Those who fell down were dragged along on harpoons to cabin 25, the anti-chamber of death, and there were moved directly into gas chambers," she added.

Iran-Contra probe recesses

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — The congressional probe into the Iran-Contra scandal has wrapped up its first phase after tearful Fawn Hall emotionally defended her former boss Oliver North, who is at the centre of the controversy.

The joint hearings of the special Senate and House of Representatives committees probing President Reagan's most damaging political crisis recessed Tuesday after more than five weeks of testimony and were set to resume on June 23.

Two Iranians told to leave Britain

By DAVID HOROVITZ
LONDON. — Britain yesterday ordered two more Iranian diplomats out of the country intensifying once again the two-week diplomatic row with Iran.

Foreign Office Undersecretary Sir Patrick Wright summoned the senior Iranian official here, charge d'affaires Akmdzadeh Baati, to Westminster yesterday morning for a half-an-hour meeting, explaining that Britain was not expelling the diplomats, but was simply seeking to reduce Iranian diplomatic representation here.

Wright points out that, while Britain has only 13 diplomats in Tehran, Iran has 18 here. The Foreign Office intends to send three more diplomats to Tehran, so that each side has 16 diplomats in each other's country.

Baati was not convinced, however, and linked the latest British directive to the diplomatic row which began two weeks ago with the arrest of an Iranian official here on shoplifting charges.

Meanwhile, France has expelled two Iranian nationals arrested in a major anti-terrorist sweep last week, putting them on a plane for Tehran.

Moscow moves to expel Swiss

MOSCOW (Reuters). — The Soviet Union yesterday announced that it had declared a Swiss diplomat *persona non grata* and ordered him to leave the country within a week.

The official Tass news agency said Swiss Embassy First Secretary Erich Pircher was being expelled for "activities incompatible with his status as a diplomat." The phrase is generally used to denote spying.

Infected pregnant Zaireans to receive Aids antibodies

PARIS (AFP). — A French researcher, Daniel Zagury, says he will soon try to immunize unborn babies against Aids by injecting a vaccine made from his own Aids antibodies into Aids-infected pregnant women in Zaire.

Dr. Zagury, who developed the antibodies after trying an experimental vaccine on himself, said that "now that the way has been open," his Franco-Zairean team would test it on humans "on a large scale."

Emphasizing the difficulty of forecasting research results, Zagury said in an interview that the clinical tests would start in a few months, as soon as final touches were put to the Aids vaccine.

"If all goes well, we hope to be able to propose a vaccine in three or

four years," Zagury said, stressing that the tests on humans would be conducted with the support of local authorities and of the World Health Organization.

Zagury also reported positive results in the treatment of 10 Zairean victims of the acquired immune deficiency syndrome, a yet-incurable condition which destroys the body's ability to fight disease and usually results in death.

The 10, he said, were working and living normally a year after the immune capacity of their own white blood cells was reinforced in test tubes and the blood cells were re-injected into them. But he warned that it was too early to draw conclusions. "I believe this treatment has a future," Zagury said. "But I don't want to raise unfounded hope."

FOREIGN BRIEFS

Moscow reports 30 foreigners with Aids

MOSCOW (Reuters). — About 30 foreigners who underwent treatment for Aids in the Soviet Union have been deported, a Soviet expert on the disease said yesterday.

Valentin Pokrovsky told the official news agency Tass that only seven Aids patients including one Soviet citizen, were at present in Soviet hospitals.

Foreign students and people seeking to study in the Soviet Union are being given blood tests to determine whether they have Aids, Tass reported.

The agency did not say when the tests began, if they are mandatory or whether they apply to students of all nationalities.

Pentagon approves sale of missiles to Egypt

WASHINGTON (AP). — The U.S. Defence department has notified Congress it had approved the sale of Sparrow anti-aircraft missiles to Egypt. Assuming there are no congressional objections, the Pentagon said Egypt would be offered 282 Sparrow missiles for use aboard fighter aircraft and 514 Sparrows configured for ground launch against airplanes. That transaction is valued at \$190 million, the Pentagon said.

150,000 police on alert for Spanish vote

MADRID (AP). — Spaniards went to the polls yesterday in municipal, regional and European parliament elections expected to test the popularity of Socialist Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez after months of violent strikes and growing unemployment.

The Interior Ministry announced that more than 150,000 police — the entire national force — were placed on alert for the day's voting, with police guards posted at the 43,024 polling stations across the country.

Pope supports aims of Poland's banned Solidarity

TARNOW, Poland (Reuters). — Pope John Paul told a cheering throng of two million at an open-air mass in this farm region yesterday that he supported the aims of the banned Rural Solidarity Union and independence for Polish farmers.

His statement, which spoke of an "economic and moral crisis" in agriculture, was the clearest and strongest he has made on behalf of alternatives to Communist systems since he began a third pilgrimage to his homeland on Monday.

Solidarity banners fluttered at the mass outside this southeastern town here the pope also beatified 16-year-old Karolina Kozka who died defending her virginity against a Russian soldier who tried to rape her in 1914.

Sen. Biden joins Democratic Party race

WASHINGTON (AP). — Delaware Senator Joseph Biden Jr. is the fifth official candidate for the 1988 Democratic Party U.S. presidential nomination, having announced his candidacy Tuesday.

Senator Albert Gore Jr. is set to become No. 6 later this month, and will probably be followed by Rep. Jesse Jackson who indicates his announcement will come later this summer.

Any day now, Arkansas Governor Bill Clinton is expected to announce his decision on whether to enter the race. And Senator Sam Nunn of Georgia is being pressed to give a signal of his intentions by July or August.

Rust flew to Moscow to promote understanding

MAINZ, West Germany (AP). — The parents of Mathias Rust have characterized the daredevil teen-age pilot as an idealist who flew to Moscow's Red Square to draw world attention to the need for understanding between nations.

Karl-Heinz Rust and his wife, Monika, discussed their son's motives on West Germany's ZDF television network. Rust, 19, has been in Soviet custody since landing a borrowed Cessna 172 plane in Red Square on May 28.

His father said that "He did it out of his love for peace, for understanding between nations."

Vietnam deserter arrested on returning to U.S.

QUANTICO, Virginia (AFP). — A U.S. Marine deserter who spent 17 years in Australia after fleeing Vietnam was arrested this week as he returned to the U.S. to visit his ailing father.

Military guards met 39-year-old Douglas Beane on his arrival at Los Angeles Airport, then flew with him across the country to the Marine base here.

Beane, who married and raised a family in Australia, was facing seven charges of participation in a black market scheme and threatening to kill a fellow Marine when he went absent without leave in 1970.

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Sharir scores NRP plan for pardons

By MENACHEM SHALEV
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Justice Minister Avraham Sharir yesterday blasted the National Religious Party's plan to secure presidential pardons for imprisoned Jewish underground members by special legislation, saying that it was a "very grave" matter and that it would damage the stature of the presidency.

In a meeting with reporters in his Jerusalem office, Sharir also castigated the "extensive use" of judicial commissions of inquiry. He said that the public administration was "weak" and was resorting to the judicial branch to avoid making decisions.

Sharir added that the constant "invasion" by one branch into the sphere of another constituted a "danger to society and democracy."

"The executive branch stands on trial once every four years" in elections, Sharir said, "and that is enough."

The minister announced that he would reach a decision on William Nakash's extradition to France before the current July 7 deadline. He described as "not totally accurate" reports of the findings of the special Justice Ministry emissary to France that French jails are just as safe as Israeli ones. Nakash is resisting his extradition to France, where he is wanted for murder, by claiming that his life would be in danger in a

French jail.

Acting ministry director-general Haim Klugman announced a series of initiatives aimed at "solidifying the rule of law" and, at the same time, "changing the stiff and formal image" of the ministry.

A Public Council for promoting the Values of the Rule of Law would soon be established by the ministry, Klugman announced. The council would launch an information campaign among lawyers and the general public, he said.

Sharir has also initiated a joint project with the Police Ministry to shorten police investigations. Currently, Sharir said, these investigations carry on "for years," and suspects' lives, careers and reputations suffer "irreparable harm."

Sharir said that he was concerned most of all with the backlog in the country's courts. He said that over 700,000 court files are opened each year. This means that "one out of every three citizens" has some business with the courts.

The minister said that he had proposed streamlining litigation on customs, tax and traffic offences. He had also come to an agreement with Supreme Court President Meir Shamgar that, in order to overcome the "bottleneck" in the district courts, the current limit of NIS 40,000 on matters brought before the magistrates' courts would be increased to NIS 150,000.



Walters carry in lunch for the leaders attending the seven-nation summit in Venice. Lunch was served yesterday in the elaborate 16th century Doge's Palace in St. Mark's Square. (Reuters/UPI)

Fined for lying about her age

By BRADLEY BURSTON

BEERSHEBA - Is a woman's lying about her age a natural right or a criminal offense? The local magistrates' court obviously believes the latter, for earlier this week it sentenced 40-year-old Rachel Danino to a NIS 2,000 fine and a suspended eight-month sentence for doing just that.

The perjury and suborning of witnesses charges against Danino stem from her application in 1982 to change the legal registration of her age, in an effort to convince her then-fiance of the truth of her family's contention that she was born in 1954 and not, as listed on her identity card, in 1947.

At the time, she told the court that she had suffered from an eye ailment as a child, and her parents, fearing that they would be denied permission to emigrate from Morocco to Israel as a result of her illness, presented a much older girl in her place for registration by aliyah authorities.

Persuaded by the proceedings as to the truth of Danino's claim, her fiancé married her shortly after the application was submitted. But government attorneys detected a number of contradictions in Danino's

account of her background, and their investigation resulted in the present charge.

In his cross-examination, prosecutor Nathan Zolocher disclosed that in 1964, Danino had applied to a nursing school whose minimum age requirement was 16. He also produced an identity card Danino had received the same year, with a picture the court later described as consistent with the appearance of a 17-year-old.

Danino replied that at the age of 10 she disguised herself as a 16-year-old in order to be accepted at the school. To substantiate her claim, she produced three witnesses, a woman who claimed to have been her first-grade teacher in 1961, her brother, and a woman who said she knew her from kindergarten.

In his ruling, Judge Yitzhak Shabtai wrote that he was especially astounded that Danino "stuck to and embroidered her string of lies over the years, because of her inability to stand up to family and social pressures to keep knowledge of her real age from her husband."

The three witnesses were sentenced to NIS 250 fines and suspended four-month prison sentences each.

Once a year week honours volunteers

By JEFF BLACK

For The Jerusalem Post
Over 40,000 volunteers from all over the country have been celebrating National Volunteer Week which ends today.

The volunteers range from pupils who help the elderly in their spare time, to some 1,283 people employed on a full-time basis.

Ezra Janno, the director of the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs Volunteer's Services explained the two main reasons for National Volunteer Week.

"At least once a year we should thank the volunteers and use the

opportunity to recruit new ones."

This was certainly what happened in Ashdod earlier this week. As the city's 40 separate volunteer branches gathered to promote their work, 100 new helpers were recruited.

The ministry's volunteer unit, said Janno, was established 10 years ago with three major aims in mind: to open up the social public's involvement in combating social problems; and to provide the volunteers with a feeling of satisfaction.

Initially the volunteers met with some resistance from professional social workers, but over the years, said Janno, the cooperation between them has grown.

Official complains Arava was cheated in VOA deal

By BRADLEY BURSTON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA - Ilan Oren, head of the Arava regional council, yesterday urged the postponement of next week's scheduled White House signing of the U.S.-Israel agreement on the Voice of America relay station. Oren declared that under the proposed pact, the Arava region is being asked to pay dearly for American displeasure over the Pollard affair.

In a telegram to communications Minister Gad Ya'acobi, Oren charged that former ministry director-general Yoram Alster has bowed to high-level pressure during negotiations with U.S. officials, and had granted financial concessions to

the direct detriment of the Arava. According to Oren, under the original accord, the U.S. was to have transferred to the government of Israel a total of \$23 million, of which approximately \$14m. was designated for development projects in the region. In the pact to be signed next week, however, \$7 million is to be waived, and the remaining funds, to be paid over the next 25 years, are earmarked for the Treasury and not for the Arava, he said.

"In the wake of the Pollard affair, and with their intense desire to please the U.S., Premier Shamir and Vice Premier Peres strongly pressured the Israeli negotiating team to make these concessions," Oren continued. "But the settlements of the

Arava are unwilling to pay the price of surrender."

He urged the government to reconsider the agreement in their meeting next Sunday.

A source in the Communications Ministry told The Jerusalem Post that, although postponement of a White House ceremony is "politically out of the question," ministry officials are confident that in continuing talks between the Finance Ministry, the Communications Ministry and Arava leaders, a satisfactory financial arrangement can be concluded shortly.

Yoram Alster, now a high official in the Bezek corporation, was unavailable for comment.

German expert sees threat in Islamic movement

A student of fundamentalism

By BENNY MORRIS

Dr. Hans Stercken, the visiting chairman of the Bundestag's Foreign Affairs committee and president of the council of the Inter-Parliamentary Union, is deeply worried by the spread of Moslem fundamentalism.

At a luncheon in the Knesset with Israeli MKs, Stercken specifically mentioned Tunisia as a potential victim of such a fundamentalist movement after the present ruler, President Habib Bourguiba, passes from the scene. He refers to the "concern" on this score of Moroccan parliamentarians, to whom he has spoken recently.

Stercken describes himself as a student of fundamentalism ("not only Islamic"), which he regards as the antithesis of the "democratic, evolutionary, compromising" politics that he espouses. He speaks of his visit last year to Teheran, where he noticed "greater recognition [of the rights of] Jews and the Baha'is," but

without any serious change in the basic fundamentalist outlook of the regime. He spent "two and a half hours arguing with Ayatollah Rafsanjani [the Speaker of the Majlis]," he recalls.

His antipathy for the Moslem fundamentalists is only partly linked to the threat Iran seems to pose to the West's oil supplies. "We can get oil from elsewhere, from Nigeria, for example. But the problem is that if the oil doesn't flow, then the exporting countries will get no money and won't be able to buy European goods [leading to a major East-West rupture]. The fundamentalists threaten the whole Middle East and Mediterranean, which is now [an area] developing its ties with the E.C. And they threaten the [bases of] our politics - tolerance, acceptance of pluralism, compromise."

Stercken is not unduly worried about the trend towards fundamentalism in Israel. "Israel is a normal society, and like normal

societies, it has extremists, fundamentalists." He doesn't believe they are significant or a growing threat to the Israeli body politic.

Stercken protests: "I don't understand why the foreign media focus on the extremists in Israel." He defends Israel's role in the 1985-86 Iran arms deals by pointing to Israel's need "to protect Iran's 35,000 Jews."

He doesn't believe that the political stalemate in the unity government and its apparent paralysis in major policy fields necessitates an overhaul of the political system. "The decision of the people was for a stalemate. So that's what should be. The people are sovereign. Even in our system we have such situations. One must never correct the decision of the voters."

Stercken first came to Israel 26 years ago as the German official observer at the Eichmann trial. Later he headed the Centre for Political Education in West Germany in which successive groups of German officials were taught about the Third Reich.

Festival found 'right formula'

By LEV BEARFIELD
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel Festival officials yesterday evening declared the three-week event a success, and said that financially the festival appeared likely to break even.

At a self-congratulatory press conference at the Jerusalem Theatre, festival artistic director Oded Kotler said that the 1987 festival "was by far the largest, most complicated and most successful" ever held in the capital.

The festival continues through June 14. General manager Ishai Amrami said that preliminary figures show that 121,000 tickets were sold in Jerusalem and another 31,000 were purchased for performances outside of the capital. This suggested that the festival would conclude within its NIS 2.2 million budget, unlike previous years, Amrami said.

Kotler said that the festival had "found the right formula, and we now have the path to follow for the festivals to come." He added that "we don't want the festival to get too big, but we haven't reached our limit yet."

This year's festival brought together 700 artists from 10 countries. Nearly half of the programmes had sold out, Amrami said, adding: "And our statisticians tell us that there were 15 million individual pieces of applause."

Half of the tickets for the festival were sold during the preliminary discount purchase period in March, Amrami said, and about 10,000 were sold during the festival itself.

Anticipating criticism about the cost of tickets, Kotler lamented "the



high price of bringing quality performances to Israel. There were a number of things we simply couldn't afford to bring. This is why, for example, we have no visiting symphony orchestra at the festival. Nevertheless, having a company like the Stuttgart Ballet shows the heights we did achieve."

Kotler termed the Peter Brook production of *Carmen* the festival's costliest and most complicated production, and the Tokyo Quartet's complete Beethoven cycle the riskiest. "But in both cases, audiences have been large and enthusiastic."

Kotler noted that *Carmen* cost \$200,000 to stage, and Philippe Petit's high-wire act over the Hinnom Valley had cost NIS 100,000.

Street theatre today: Yosi Tzema's troupe presents the minimalist play *Place and Friends* at the Gerard Behar Plaza at 6 p.m.; Eldad Ziv's acting company performs *Ain Zo, Ben Zo*, a surrealist play, and outside the President Hotel at 8 and 10 p.m.; the Jerusalem Trombone Quartet performs at the Henry Crown Plaza at 7 p.m.; the video-art "Bus" leaves the Henry Crown Plaza at 4 and 6 p.m.

HEROIN - A Hongkong man who tried to enter Canada with nearly a kilo of pure heroin stashed in his running shoes was sentenced Tuesday by a Brampton district court to seven years in jail.



Some 5,000 children from 45 schools in Jerusalem gathered in Liberty Bell Park yesterday to display crafts learned in after-school activities. (Y. Zaken/Media)

Bahai project is tax exempt

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA - The government has granted the World Centre of the Bahai religion "approved project" status for its \$160 million development plans in Haifa and Acre.

The agreement grants them full

tax exemption on construction that is to be carried out over a 10-year period, Ronald Bates, of the World Centre, told The Jerusalem Post yesterday.

In return, the Bahais have undertaken to use Israeli labour, contractors and materials whenever available and suitable.

Cave's pull leads to concert

A new artistic link will be forged between Jerusalem's present and ancient past when the world premiere of Zvi Avni's composition "Zedekiah's Cave" is presented at the cave at 5:30 p.m. today.

The huge underground area, discovered accidentally in 1854 by Dr. James Berkeley, is believed to have served as a quarry for Jerusalem builders as early as the Second Temple period. Several legends are connected with it, most notably the tragic escape of King Zedekiah, the last ruler of Judea.

"The place has exercised a strong, mystical pull on me ever since Yitzhak Ya'acobi, director of the East Jerusalem Development Corporation, brought me here several months ago," said Avni, a leading Israeli composer. After a search for an appropriate text, a poem by Yehuda Amichai was chosen. "An evocative and illustrative work conveying the sensation of time standing still."

Scored for bass, instrumental ensemble and magnetic tape, "Zedekiah's Cave" will be presented by singer Eduardo Chama and members of the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Motti Shmit.

ELI KAREV

TODAY'S ENTERTAINMENT

EDUCATIONAL TV
8.00 Telecast: 8.00 Keep Fit 8.15 School Broadcasts 14.00 Telecast 14.03 Keep Fit 14.15 Family Problems 15.00 Tel Aviv 15.25 Rehov Sumsum 15.55 The Love of Three Oranges. BBC production. Protectors' opera (pt 2) 17.00 A New Evening - live magazine

ISRAELI TV
CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMES
17.30 Children's Problems 18.00 Science Fiction series 18.25 A look at biblical characters

ARABIC-LANGUAGE PROGRAMMES
18.30 News roundup 18.32 Family Magazine 19.00 Meeting - current affairs 19.30 News

ISRAELI TV CHANNEL 2
19.00 Children's programmes 19.30 Tazpit - science and technology magazine 20.00 Israeli drama 21.00 Shorts

JORDANIAN TV (unofficial)
17.30 Cartoons 18.00 French Hour 19.30 News in Hebrew 20.00 News in Arabic 20.30 Me & My Girl 21.10 To be announced 22.00 News in English 22.20 Feature film

MIDDLE EAST TV
13.30 Another Life 14.00 700 Club 14.30 Shape-Up 15.00 Afternoon Movie: Mirage 17.00 Flying House 17.30 Fraggle Rock 18.00 The Jeffersons 18.30 The Love of Three Oranges 19.00 Scarecrow and Mrs. King 21.00 Miss Universe 22.00 700 Club 23.30 Another Life

VOICE OF MUSIC
6.02 Morning Melodies 7.09 Giuliani: Concerto for 2 Mandolins, Viola and Piano; Mozart: Concerto for 2 Pianos K.365; Saint-Saens: Concerto No. 1 for Cello and Orchestra; Krumpholtz: Symphony in D minor 9.00 Bach: Suite No. 2; Haydn: Quartet No. 77, Op. 76 No. 3; Brahms: Set of songs for voice and piano; Dvorak: 5 String Quartets; Schumann: Quintet for Piano Op. 44; Beethoven: Fantasy for Piano, Orchestra and Choir Op. 80 12.00 Chopin: 4 Mazurkas (Szymanowski); Nocturne No. 13; Sonata for Piano Op. 35 13.00 Mozart: Concerto No. 22 for Piano and Orchestra K.482; Beethoven: Trio for Piano, Violin and Cello Op. 37 "Archduke" (Katsenelenbogen); Harrell, Perlman; Schumann: Symphony No. 3 Op. 97 "Rhenish" 15.00 Meetings 16.00 The Israel Quartet, live broadcast from the Jerusalem YMC (M. Zakai, contralto, A. Blum, flute, A. Chertok, clarinet) - Works by Respighi, Ravel and Hindemith 19.00 Light Classical Music 20.05 Musical Medley 20.30 Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra under Yuri Ahronovitch, live broadcast from the Henry Crown Hall - Goldmark: Overture "Im Fruhlings"; Komolodt: Concerto for Violin and Orchestra; Tchaikovsky: Symphony No. 4 Op. 38 23.00 Golden Generation

RADIO 1st
6.03 Programmes for Olim 7.20 Programme in Easy Hebrew 8.05 Compass - with Benny Hendel 9.06 Information for Listeners 10.05 Morning Pearls 11.10 School Broadcasts 11.30 Followings 12.05 Mid-East Medley 13.00 News in English 13.30 News in French 14.00 Children's programmes 15.30 Education for all 16.05 An Unknown Land 17.30 Everyman's University 18.05 Jewish Traditions 19.05 Lesson in Talmud 19.30 Bible Reading 19.30 Programmes for Olim 22.05 I Have a Dream

RADIO 2nd
6.12 Gymnastics 6.30 Editorial Review 6.53 Green Light - "Seven" corner 7.00 This Morning - news magazine 8.05 Making an Issue 8.05 House Call - with Rivka Michael 10.05 All Shades of the Network 11.30 Safe Journey 12.10 Q.K. on Two 13.00 Midday - news commentary, music 14.00 Culture and Arts Magazine 14.30 Six Days in June - 30 years after 15.00 Songs and Homeword 17.05 Economics Magazine 18.05 Spotlight 18.45 Today in Sport 19.05 Today - radio newswire 19.35 This Week in the Knesset 20.05 Roots - folklore magazine 22.05 Hebrew songs 23.05 Between Ourselves

ARMY
6.05 University on the Air 6.30 Open Your Eyes - songs, information 7.07 "707" - with Alex Ansky 8.00 Good Morning Israel 9.05 in the Morning - with Eli Yareli 10.05 Coffee Break - with Michel Niv 11.05 Right Now - with Yossi Abud 12.05 Good Place in the Centre 13.05 The Magical Mystery Tour (repeat) 14.05 Four in the Afternoon 17.00 Evening Newswire 18.05 Economics Magazine 19.05 Hebrew songs 20.05 Army and Defence Magazine (repeat) 21.00 Mabot - TV newswire 21.30 University on the Air (repeat) 22.05 Popular songs 23.05 The 24th Hour 00.05 Night Birds - songs, chat

DAILY ENGLISH BROADCASTS
ISRAELI RADIO
on 576 and 1458 kHz
07.00-7.15 News and Press Review
13.00-13.05 News followed by:
SUNDAY - "This Land" travel magazine
MONDAY - "Mainstream" consumer and community affairs
TUESDAY - "Israel Mosaic" weekly magazine
WEDNESDAY - "With me in the studio" guest interview
THURSDAY - "Studio Three" arts magazine
FRIDAY - "Thank Goodness It's Friday"
SATURDAY - "Spotlight" people and issues in the news
17.00-17.05 News
20.00-20.15 News

CINEMA PERFORMANCES

JERUSALEM
Belt Agnon: Gone With the Wind 6:30; The Outsiders 8; Dina 9:45; The Fly, midnight; Cinemascope: Passions d'Amore 7; The Conductor 8:30; Dina 9:30; Thunderbolt and Lightfoot, midnight; Eddie and the Cruisers 11:15 p.m.; Orion 8:4; The Fourth Protocol 4:30, 7:30, 9:30; Edifone: Over the Top 4:30, 7:30, 9:30; Nabila: My Life as a Dog 6:15, 7:30, 9:30; Israel Museum: The General 7, 9:15; The Name of the Rose 4:30, 7:15, 9:15; Babylon 11:15 p.m.; Little Shop of Horrors 4:30, 7:15, 9:15; Bear Round Midnight 4:30, 7:15, 9:15; Semedat: Amadeus 8:30, 9:15.

TEL AVIV
Belt Leash: Koyanizgatal 11:15 p.m.; Ben Yehuda: Streets of Gold 6:15, 7:15, 9:30; Betla Haterfutsot: Angry Harvest 8; Chen 1; Tin Men 5, 7:30, 9:45; Chen 2: Little Shop of Horrors 5, 7:30, 9:45; Chen 3: Soul Man 5, 7:35, 9:45; Chen 4: Crimes of the Heart 11, 2, 5, 7:30, 9:40; Chen 5: Color of Money 11, 2, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45; Chen 6: Over the Top 5, 7:15, 9:30; Chen 7: Hannah and Her Sisters 5, 7:15, 9:30; Delsat: Crocodile Dundee 7:15, 9:30; Delsatoff 1: Les Fugitives 11, 1:30, 5, 7:30, 9:30; Delsatoff 2: Decline of the American Empire 11, 1:30, 5, 7:30, 9:30; Delsatoff 3: La Frontiera 11, 1:30, 5, 7:30, 9:30; Room With a View 7:30, 9:50; Delsatoff: Over the Top 8, 10; Sex film 12 midnight; Eastern: Club Paradise 5, 7:30, 9:45; Get: That's Life 6, 7:30, 9:45; New Gordon: The Marriage of Maria Braun 5, 7:30, 9:30; Hekleson 23A: Hecce: Red Kite 5, 7:30, 9:30; Zigi Stardust 11:45 p.m.; Hecce: Heat 5, 7:15, 9:30; Lev 1: Down by Law 2, 5, 7:30, 9:40; Lev 2: Clockwise 2, 5, 7:40, 9:40; Lev 3: Melo 2, 5, 7:30, 9:40; Lev 4: Tenue de Soiree 2, 5, 7:40, 9:40; Lev 5: Lev 6: Lev 7: Lev 8: Lev 9: Lev 10: Lev 11: Lev 12: Lev 13: Lev 14: Lev 15: Lev 16: Lev 17: Lev 18: Lev 19: Lev 20: Lev 21: Lev 22: Lev 23: Lev 24: Lev 25: Lev 26: Lev 27: Lev 28: Lev 29: Lev 30: Lev 31: Lev 32: Lev 33: Lev 34: Lev 35: Lev 36: Lev 37: Lev 38: Lev 39: Lev 40: Lev 41: Lev 42: Lev 43: Lev 44: Lev 45: Lev 46: Lev 47: Lev 48: Lev 49: Lev 50: Lev 51: Lev 52: Lev 53: Lev 54: Lev 55: Lev 56: Lev 57: Lev 58: Lev 59: Lev 60: Lev 61: Lev 62: Lev 63: Lev 64: Lev 65: Lev 66: Lev 67: Lev 68: Lev 69: Lev 70: Lev 71: Lev 72: Lev 73: Lev 74: Lev 75: Lev 76: Lev 77: Lev 78: Lev 79: Lev 80: Lev 81: Lev 82: Lev 83: Lev 84: Lev 85: Lev 86: Lev 87: Lev 88: Lev 89: Lev 90: Lev 91: Lev 92: Lev 93: Lev 94: Lev 95: Lev 96: Lev 97: Lev 98: Lev 99: Lev 100: Lev 101: Lev 102: Lev 103: Lev 104: Lev 105: Lev 106: Lev 107: Lev 108: Lev 109: Lev 110: Lev 111: Lev 112: Lev 113: Lev 114: Lev 115: Lev 116: Lev 117: Lev 118: Lev 119: Lev 120: Lev 121: Lev 122: Lev 123: Lev 124: Lev 125: Lev 126: Lev 127: Lev 128: Lev 129: Lev 130: Lev 131: Lev 132: Lev 133: Lev 134: Lev 135: Lev 136: Lev 137: Lev 138: Lev 139: Lev 140: Lev 141: Lev 142: Lev 143: Lev 144: Lev 145: Lev 146: Lev 147: Lev 148: Lev 149: Lev 150: Lev 151: Lev 152: Lev 153: Lev 154: Lev 155: Lev 156: Lev 157: Lev 158: Lev 159: Lev 160: Lev 161: Lev 162: Lev 163: Lev 164: Lev 165: Lev 166: Lev 167: Lev 168: Lev 169: Lev 170: Lev 171: Lev 172: Lev 173: Lev 174: Lev 175: Lev 176: Lev 177: Lev 178: Lev 179: Lev 180: Lev 181: Lev 182: Lev 183: Lev 184: Lev 185: Lev 186: Lev 187: Lev 188: Lev 189: Lev 190: Lev 191: Lev 192: Lev 193: Lev 194: Lev 195: Lev 196: Lev 197: Lev 198: Lev 199: Lev 200: Lev 201: Lev 202: Lev 203: Lev 204: Lev 205: Lev 206: Lev 207: Lev 208: Lev 209: Lev 210: Lev 211: Lev 212: Lev 213: Lev 214: Lev 215: Lev 216: Lev 217: Lev 218: Lev 219: Lev 220: Lev 221: Lev 222: Lev 223: Lev 224: Lev 225: Lev 226: Lev 227: Lev 228: Lev 229: Lev 230: Lev 231: Lev 232: Lev 233: Lev 234: Lev 235: Lev 236: Lev 237: Lev 238: Lev 239: Lev 240: Lev 241: Lev 242: Lev 243: Lev 244: Lev 245: Lev 246: Lev 247: Lev 248: Lev 249: Lev 250: Lev 251: Lev 252: Lev 253: Lev 254: Lev 255: Lev 256: Lev 257: Lev 258: Lev 259: Lev 260: Lev 261: Lev 262: Lev 263: Lev 264: Lev 265: Lev 266: Lev 267: Lev 268: Lev 269: Lev 270: Lev 271: Lev 272: Lev 273: Lev 274: Lev 275: Lev 276: Lev 277: Lev 278: Lev 279: Lev 280: Lev 281: Lev 282: Lev 283: Lev 284: Lev 285: Lev 286: Lev 287: Lev 288: Lev 289: Lev 290: Lev 291: Lev 292: Lev 293: Lev 294: Lev 295: Lev 296: Lev 297: Lev 298: Lev 299: Lev 300: Lev 301: Lev 302: Lev 303: Lev 304: Lev 305: Lev 306: Lev 307: Lev 308: Lev 309: Lev 310: Lev 311: Lev 312: Lev 313: Lev 314: Lev 315: Lev 316: Lev 317: Lev 318: Lev 319: Lev 320: Lev 321: Lev 322: Lev 323: Lev 324: Lev 325: Lev 326: Lev 327: Lev 328: Lev 329: Lev 330: Lev 331: Lev 332: Lev 333: Lev 334: Lev 335: Lev 336: Lev 337: Lev 338: Lev 339: Lev 340: Lev 341: Lev 342: Lev 343: Lev 344: Lev 345: Lev 346: Lev 347: Lev 348: Lev 349: Lev 350: Lev 351: Lev 352: Lev 353: Lev 354: Lev 355: Lev 356: Lev 357: Lev 358: Lev 359: Lev 360: Lev 361: Lev 362: Lev 363: Lev 364: Lev 365: Lev 366: Lev 367: Lev 368: Lev 369: Lev 370: Lev 371: Lev 372: Lev 373: Lev 374: Lev 375: Lev 376: Lev 377: Lev 378: Lev 379: Lev 380: Lev 381: Lev 382: Lev 383: Lev 384: Lev 385: Lev 386: Lev 387: Lev 388: Lev 389: Lev 390: Lev 391: Lev 392: Lev 393: Lev 394: Lev 395: Lev 396: Lev 397: Lev 398: Lev 399: Lev 400: Lev 401: Lev 402: Lev 403: Lev 404: Lev 405: Lev 406: Lev 407: Lev 408: Lev 409: Lev 410: Lev 411: Lev 412: Lev 413: Lev 414: Lev 415: Lev 416: Lev 417: Lev 418: Lev 419: Lev 420: Lev 421: Lev 422: Lev 423: Lev 424: Lev 425: Lev 426: Lev 427: Lev 428: Lev 429: Lev 430: Lev 431: Lev 432: Lev 433: Lev 434: Lev 435: Lev 436: Lev 437: Lev 438: Lev 439: Lev 440: Lev 441: Lev 442: Lev 443: Lev 444: Lev 445: Lev 446: Lev 447: Lev 448: Lev 449: Lev 450: Lev 451: Lev 452: Lev 453: Lev 454: Lev 455: Lev 456: Lev 457: Lev 458: Lev 459

Old-style luxury

Abraham Rabinovich

FROM THE penthouses overlooking the Knesset to the villas of Shuafat, there is no more luxurious housing in Jerusalem today than in a 2,000-year-old neighbourhood in the Old City where workmen are applying the finishing touches after years of renovation.

A mansion with 600 square metres of floor space on each of its floors, villas with sunken baths and beautiful mosaic bathroom floors, elegant stucco-ornamented walls and ceilings, a wide choice of ritual baths, and brightly-coloured murals reminiscent of Pompeii are features that classy real-estate agents would doubtless let speak for themselves when showing around prospective clients.

When the neighbourhood is opened, in the fall, visitors will probably be so taken by the lavishness and decor that they will stop noticing after a few moments that the houses are all underground.

The neighbourhood, which served the aristocracy and priesthood of Jerusalem at the end of the Second Temple Period, is the last and largest of the archaeological sites in the Jewish Quarter excavated by Prof. Nahman Avigad of the Hebrew University since the Six Day War. The restored site was originally intended to be opened to the public by Jerusalem Day this week, but the complexity of the project delayed its completion, probably until Succot.

Called by Avigad the Herodian neighbourhood (*Parvar*), this is the only residential area from the Herodian period yet uncovered in Jerusalem. That period was the most luxurious in Jerusalem's antiquity and the *Parvar* was perhaps the most luxurious section of the most luxurious neighbourhood.

Located at the eastern edge of today's Jewish Quarter - then known as the Upper City - it offered superb, unimpeded views of the Temple Mount across the narrow valley and the desert hills beyond the city walls. By socio-economic laws that appear to have been as valid then as today, the best views usually go to those who can afford them.

AVIGAD came upon the site seven metres below the level of Misgav Ladach Street. All the houses bore the grim, blackened signs of destruction by fire. In their conquest of the city in the summer of 70 CE, the Romans had attacked the Upper City from the east, a month after taking the Temple Mount. The villas, located on the front line of this battle, showed more extensive signs of destruction by fire than buildings deeper inside the quarter.

The bulk of the excavation site, which extends 120 metres, had been allocated after the Six Day War for the construction of Yeshivat Hakotel. Construction was long held up in order to permit Avigad to complete his excavations. The building plans had to be altered so that the finds could be accommodated be-



Prof. Nahman Avigad: Rehavia is nothing compared to the Herodian neighbourhood of Second Temple Jerusalem. (Zev Padovani)

neath the massive structure without damage to vital archaeological elements.

Seven of the villas found by Avigad are included in the *Parvar*, the most impressive being one he calls *Beit Midot*, each of whose floors measured 600 sq. m. The building was built around a central courtyard. Much of the ground floor and basement remains intact - part of a wall in one room has been preserved to a height of almost three metres - and there was apparently also an upper floor.

Wall paintings closely resemble those of Pompeii, say Avigad. A true fresco technique was used, the paint being applied while the plaster was still wet.

In Pompeii, roughly contemporaneous with Herodian Jerusalem, fresco painting had followed an earlier period in which the walls were covered with cream-coloured stucco designs, simulating stonework in relief. Curiously, the periods in Jerusalem were precisely reversed, local tastes shifting from walls covered with colourful frescoes to elegant stucco-work.

AVIGAD SUSPECTS that the richly-ornamented *Beit Midot*, which contained five ritual baths and a large reception hall, may have belonged to a Temple high priest.

It was the Temple itself, he believes, that accounted for much of the wealth of Herodian Jerusalem. Hundreds of thousands of pilgrims came each year, paying a Temple tax and leaving behind an abundance of shekels with local merchants.

Numerous artifacts attesting to the wealth of the inhabitants were

dug from the dirt. These include decorated stone tables; a beautiful glass pitcher made (and imprinted) by Ennion, a well-known glassmaker from Sidon in the first century CE; a small, portable sundial; and some fine pottery.

Avigad has been a minimalist in his restoration, adding far fewer rows of stone or other materials to help conjure up the original shape than are used, for instance, in the restoration of the excavations at the foot of the Temple Mount. To the extent that stones have been added, they are of the same soft limestone as was used by the original builders. Since this type of stone is no longer used for building, it had to be searched for in old quarries.

The original excavations were completed in the 1970s, after eight years of labour, but the site was covered over and left hidden in the basement of Yeshivat Hakotel when no funds could be obtained for its restoration.

Following the immense popularity won by the Cardo, the Burnt House and other archaeological excavations in the quarter that have been restored, funds for the restoration of the *Parvar* were provided by the Company for the Reconstruction of the Jewish Quarter, the government municipality company that has overseen its restoration. Work got underway in December 1985.

A visitor to the site last week suggested to Avigad that the *Parvar* was the Rehavia of its day. Avigad, who himself lives in Rehavia - a neighbourhood once favoured by the gentry of Jerusalem - lightly dismissed the comparison. "Rehavia compared to this is just a *schlepper*."

TENNIS

Amos expels Anger

LONDON (Reuters). - Bouncing back from last week's bumbling defeat at the hands of unknown Australian David MacPherson, Amos Mansdorf yesterday easily dispatched his first-round opponent at the Queens Club Grass Court Tennis championships here. Gilad Bloom lost to Australia's Mark Kratzmann 6-3, 6-2.

Mansdorf, tuning up on grass surfaces for Wimbledon and Israel's Davis Cup tie against India in New Delhi, both next month, handily defeated American Matt Anger 6-1, 6-2.

Yesterday, Anger, a serve-and-volley specialist, was no match for Mansdorf, currently ranked 32nd in the world. Mansdorf has now defeated Anger the last two times they have met, beating the 24-year-old Californian in the finals of the South African open last October.

Gilad Bloom, Israel's other representative at this prestigious grass court tournament considered mandatory for players preparing to play at Wimbledon, did not fare so well. Bloom is rated 148th on the ATP tennis rankings. 22 places higher than Kratzmann, but the Aussie has had much more experience on grass.

Mansdorf will get play his second round match tomorrow, rain permitting.

In the tournament's biggest upset to date, French Open finalist Mats Wilander became the latest victim of the switch from clay to grass when he lost to West German Eric Jelen in their first round match.

Wilander, who contested the French Open title against Ivan Lendl on the clay surface centre court of Roland Garros on Sunday, was beaten 6-3, 6-7, 6-4 in a match resumed in the third set after rain forced play to be suspended on Tuesday.

Wilander became the second-big name casualty of the Queen's Club tournament following Tuesday's first-round elimination of fourth seed Yannick Noah. The third-seeded Swede, who saved four match points before finally succumbing to the hard-serving Jelen, ranked 72nd in the world.

"It's hard to get your mind on it when you go from the French Open to Queen's," said Wilander. "Going from clay to hard court or from hard court to grass would be bad enough. This is too hard."

Other first-round results of matches played yesterday: Kenneth Krikorian (13), India, def. Eddie Edwards, South Africa, 1-6, 7-5, 8-6; Peter Fleming, U.S., def. Derrick Mastagan, U.S., 6-1, 6-2; Steve Fiedt, Australia, def. Tim Williams (16), U.S., 6-3, 6-4; Lloyd Bourne, U.S., def. Scott Davis (10), 7-6 (8-6), 5-7, 6-2; David Pitt (8), U.S., def. Marcel Freeman, U.S., 4-6, 7-6 (8-6), 6-4; James Young, Peru, def. Robert Somo (11), U.S., 7-4 (11-9), 3-6, 6-2; Jimmy Connors (5), U.S., def. David Viner, South Africa, 6-3, 6-4; Kevin Carver (10), U.S., def. Eric Wengradsky, France, 7-4 (12-10), 6-4; Wally Masur (15), Australia, def. Fred Dyle, Australia, 6-3, 6-2.

BASKETBALL

Israel face Romania today

ATHENS. - Holland edged Romania 88-87 last night at the 25th European Basketball Championships, setting up today's battle for 11th and 12th place between Israel and Romania.

Quarter-final results in Athens: Soviet Union 110, Czechoslovakia 91 (halftime 55-51); Spain 107, West Germany 77 (halftime 56-34).

ATHLETICS

British challenge

GATESHEAD, England (AFP). - European sprint champion Linford Christie has thrown down the gauntlet to the world's fastest human, Ben Johnson.

The Englishman believes he can beat Johnson over 200 metres if the Canadian were to decide to compete in that event, rather than the 100 metres, in the international between the United Kingdom, Canada and Poland here on Saturday.

"I think Ben's a brilliant 100 metres runner, but I've got him over 200 metres," said the ever-confident European 100 metres gold medalist.

"I'd really like a crack at him over that distance, as I've done a lot of technical work on my 200 metres and I've pleased with the way it's going."

Christie will definitely face a test from fellow European champion Roger Black, who is stepping down from 400 metres to gain more valuable experience.

The UK also field three other European champions, Jack Buckner (1,500 metres), Daley Thompson (4 x 100 metres relay) and Patience Whitfield (javelin), as well as former Olympic gold medalist Steve Ovett (3,000 metres).

GOLF

Palmer returns

LONDON (Reuters). - Arnold Palmer is expected to make a return to the British Open golf championship next month at the age of 57.

The legendary American, winner in 1961 and 1962, has filed an entry for the event starting on July 16 at Muirfield, the course where he announced in 1980 that he might never play in the championship again.

In fact, Palmer made his last Open appearance at St. Andrew's three years ago. He was scheduled to play last year but withdrew just before the event.

NBA PLAYOFFS

Magic drives Celts to edge

BOSTON (AP). - Magic Johnson drove into the lane for a hook shot with two seconds remaining on Tuesday night to give the Los Angeles Lakers a 107-106 victory over the Boston Celtics and a 3-1 lead in the NBA championship series.

Game 5 is tonight at Boston Garden, but even if the Celtics win, the Lakers have the next two games at home and the Celtics have lost six straight road playoff games by an average of nearly 16 points.

The Lakers, who trailed 103-95 with 3 1/2 minutes remaining, rallied with a 9-0 spurt to take their first lead of the game since early in the first quarter.

Kareem Abdul-Jabbar's dunk made it 104-103 with 29 seconds left, but Larry Bird gave the Celtics a

two-point lead with a 3-pointer from the corner with 12 seconds left.

Abdul-Jabbar, who scored 10 of his 16 points in the fourth quarter, made one free throw with eight seconds left, then missed the second, but Boston's Kevin McHale knocked the ball out of bounds. After a timeout, Johnson, who finished with 29 points, calmly dribbled away several seconds in the corner before driving into the middle for the game-winner.

Bird then missed a long jumper at the buzzer, leaving the Lakers with the victory they needed to put them in complete control in the series.

The Celtics, who had won five consecutive playoff games at home and 85 of their last 87 appearances at Boston Garden, stifled the high-

powered Los Angeles attack for 2 1/2 quarters in a game that saw tempers flare twice into minor scuffles.

The Celtics are trying to become the first team since the 1969 Celtics to repeat as NBA champions. That Boston team also trailed 2-0 to the Lakers after two games in California, but they evened it 2-2 in the next two games at home.

James Worthy, held to a total of four points in four consecutive quarters after leading the Lakers in scoring for six of seven playoff games before game 3, finished with 21 points, and reserve Mychal Thompson joined Abdul-Jabbar with 16.

McHale led Boston with 25 points. Danny Ainge added 23 and Bird 21, despite missing 11 of his first 17 shots.

BASEBALL

Untouchable relievers strike again

NEW YORK (AP). - The Major League versions of "The Untouchables" are appearing just about nightly in Philadelphia and Houston.

Relievers Steve Bedrosian of the Phillies and Dave Smith of the Astros have been sensational recently, mowing down batters with astounding regularity. Bedrosian even tied a National League record on Tuesday night with his eighth save in as many consecutive appearances, holding off the Cardinals for a 3-2 win.

Smith was just as good, picking up his 11th save with 1 1/2 innings of perfect relief, extending his string to 23 1/2 innings without yielding an earned run as Houston edged San Diego 1-0.

In other NL games, it was Pittsburgh 8, Montreal 1; St. Louis 10, Cincinnati 2; Chicago 6, New York 5 and Los Angeles 5, Atlanta 3.

With his second near miss in as many years, Oakland's Curt Young keeps getting closer to a no-hitter.

Last year, Young pitched a no-hitter for 6 1/2 innings before allowing an infield single in a one-hit, 6-0 victory over Kansas City. On Tuesday night, he went one inning further before Ken Williams broke up his bid with a two-run homer in the eighth.

"I'm kind of amazed," Young said after the second one-hitter of his career, an 8-3 victory over the Chicago White Sox. "I like to believe I have the same stuff every game. Sometimes they hit it and sometimes they don't."

In other American League games, it was Toronto 7, New York 2; Boston 1, Baltimore 1; Detroit 8, Milwaukee 5; Minnesota 5, Kansas City 2; California 6, Cleveland 5; and Texas 3, Seattle 8.

Williams was 8-for-16 before he hit a 2-2 pitch for the homer that landed just inside the left field foul pole.

Chicago's two best chances for a home hit before Williams' homer came when third baseman Mark McGwire one-batted a grounder by Fred McGriff in the third and shortstop Mike Gallego had to go for it in the fifth inning on a grounder by Carlton Fisk.

SCOREBOARD

Last Friday the English League Cup Finalists apparently slammed the door in the 22-year-old striker's face by withdrawing their offer, after waiting three months for him to make up his mind.

But the on-off transfer will now go through later this week, following Barnes' meeting with Liverpool officials on Tuesday.

ATHLETICS. - Olympic champion Joergen Crone of Brazil used his guile to stage a brilliant closing sprint and overtake Canadian Dave

Young, 6-3, struck out seven and walked three to earn his fifth complete game.

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Los Angeles	27	30	.475	5
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San Diego	19	44	.254	10

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Brewer	21	40	.344	9 1/2
Cleveland	20	41	.331	10

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	W	L	Pct.	GB
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Minnesota	31	26	.544	1/2
Oakland	28	29	.491	3 1/2
Seattle	28	29	.491	3 1/2
California	22	35	.387	6 1/2
Texas	22	35	.387	6 1/2
Chicago	22	35	.387	6 1/2

Campbell to win the 1,500 metres on Tuesday night at the Harry Jerome International Track Classic at Vancouver, British Columbia.

Crax, winner of the 800 metres at the 1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games, passed Campbell on the final straightaway and managed to hold off the challenge of veteran Mike Bolt of Kenya and Cyrille Lerumancy of France over the final 50 metres, while the exhausted Campbell dropped to fourth place.

American sprinter Alice Brown, the Olympic silver medalist in the 100 metres, was her favourite event in 11.33 seconds and was selected the meet's top female performer.

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Greek warning

Sraya Shapiro

MY BRITISH cousins once took us to see a friend of theirs in Birmingham. Dr. Bernard Barnett. "You'll find him very genial but," we were warned, "his second sentence to you will be about Euripides. Do you care about Euripides?"

Indeed, that's how it was. A successful general practitioner, Dr. Barnett is obsessed with Euripides, the ancient Greek playwright, and that was the end of my theatrical dream. He also studied child psychology, but takes psychology with a pinch of salt - "mostly half-baked theories."

Literary critics maintain that it is a play about abandonment to sensuality. Nonsense, says Dr. Barnett. It is a warning to the Greeks to heed the ominous form of Dionysus, which threatened Greek sanity.

The attic of Dr. Barnett's home as been converted into a library. It contains anything that has been written about the *Bacchae* in English or French and that Dr. Barnett has managed to lay his hands on. The library also holds numerous files recording his correspondence with contemporary Euripides authorities whom he has tried to convince. "In most cases I failed," Dr. Barnett sheepishly admits. "Such a pity since the drugs issue is as burning today as was in Euripides' time."

Dr. Barnett was born in Kharkov

just when the Russian revolution was erupting. His father held a British passport, having emigrated to England years before the war. "This helped us get out of Russia when the war ended," The family settled in Glasgow.

On leaving school, Dr. Barnett, bitten by the stage bug, spent a year in Portsmouth, studying acting. "But then I was accepted to the medical school in Birmingham, and that was the end of my theatrical dream." He also studied child psychology, but takes psychology with a pinch of salt - "mostly half-baked theories."

SOME 15 years ago he stumbled upon the *Bacchae* and was stunned. "Here was a clinical description of drug poisoning," Dr. Barnett says. The addicts blindly obey their leader who dispenses his followers. Under the influence of drugs people lose any sense of mercy and violence prevails. An abnormal state of mind is sought for its own sake. "Euripides urges his fellow countrymen to resist the foreign influence. Dionysus, that gentler of gods, inspires a most cruel ritual."

A critic, one of the many to whom Dr. Barnett submitted his theory, wrote back angrily asserting that Euripides simply "invented" the ritual he describes. "Impossible!" Dr. Barnett exclaims, claiming that the detailed description is too near to



Dr. Bernard Barnett: Euripides was an early anti-drug campaigner. (S. Shapiro)

fact. Moreover, the Greek dramatists were politically-minded.

The other day the phone rang. It was Dr. Barnett, looking for Sarah Honig, whose article on cults had just appeared in *The Post*. When I went to see him, he had not lost an ounce of enthusiasm for his pet subject. His annotated Greek and English edition of the play was with him, and he spoke volubly about the work's message.

But could his definition of a cult be applied to contemporary groups? "Obviously. In some respects, at least. But that is more complicated." He did not seem eager to deviate from Euripides.

Unappealing Glass

All of Glass's music uses the same gimmick: figurative melodic-rhythmical patterns are usually combined with unchanging harmony. The whole texture, despite the apparently existing movement, remains static, sounds mechanical and provides no change in colour, mood and expression (that is, if there is such a thing as expression in Glass's music). Glass seems incapable or unwilling to free himself from the compulsive following of one single idea.

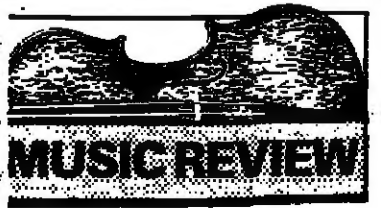
Glass's melodic, harmonic and sonorous inventions are simplistic

and primitive. Even sonority, which plays such a decisive role in 20th-century music, is completely stagnant, over simplified and bare.

Why Philip Glass enjoys such success and his music such appeal, remains a riddle.

The value of music by a composer who is unable to renew himself, to develop, to look for new ways and means, to substitute something different for one single trick, used over and over again, remains highly questionable.

BENJAMIN BAR-AM



ISRAEL FESTIVAL: THE PHILIP GLASS ASSEMBLY - keyboards, saxophones, flute, oboe, synthesizer, live sound mix. (Mount copus Amphitheatre, Jerusalem, June 9), music by Philip Glass.

SOMETIMES we critics receive a pleasant surprise. But Philip Glass and his ensemble gave us exactly what we expected: incredibly monotonous music lacking any spiritual or emotional aspects. Moreover, his work contains an almost intolerable amount of repetition.

Greenspan spurs inflation fears

WASHINGTON (AP). — The change from Paul Volcker to Alan Greenspan at the Federal Reserve will mean higher U.S. inflation this year and a greater likelihood of a recession right after the 1988 election, some private economists are saying.

These analysts are also looking for a period of uncertainty in financial markets over the summer months and lasting into the fall as the central bank adapts to a new chairman after eight years with Volcker at the helm. The transfer of power from Volcker to Greenspan will not go as smoothly as in 1979, when Volcker succeeded G. William Miller as chairman of the Fed, these economists contend.

Volcker wasted no time taking control, moving to raise a key lending rate 10 days after he took office. Volcker could move quickly because he had already spent four years as head of the Fed's New York regional bank, a position which allowed him to learn the arcane inner-workings of monetary policy.

Greenspan, who last served full-time in government as chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers in the Ford administration, will not have that advantage.

"Fed policy is likely to settle into a don't-rock-the-boat approach while Greenspan is learning the ropes," says veteran Fed watcher David Jones, of Aubrey G. Landston and Co., a government securities firm. Jones says even after Greenspan takes charge, he will have to contend with supply-siders on the Fed board appointed by President Reagan, who are more focused on economic growth than inflation worries.

"Whatever action the Fed takes is likely to be too little, too late, to cool off the forces which are already starting to produce higher inflation," Jones predicts.

Because of this belief, Jones says he is now predicting consumer prices will rise between 5.5 and 6 per cent

this year, about one percentage point higher than he had been forecasting with a Volcker-led Fed. Consumer prices rose just 1.1 per cent last year.

David Wyss, senior financial economist at Data Resources Inc., a Lexington, Massachusetts, forecasting firm, says he believes Volcker's departure enhances the likelihood of a recession late next year or in 1989. "I don't think the financial markets will have enough confidence in Dr. Greenspan to allow him to walk the narrow tightrope that will be required to keep us out of a recession," Wyss says.

But not all economists are rushing to revise their economic forecasts because of the change at the Fed.

Lawrence Chimrine, president of Wahron Econometrics, says he believes the central bank will continue to pursue the same "middle-of-the-road" policies that Volcker has been pursuing for the past two years.

"The Fed doesn't have a lot of choices right now. They can't ease credit conditions dramatically because that would cause the dollar to weaken and push up interest rates but, on the other hand, the economy isn't strong enough to tighten credit."

Volcker's tight-money policies pushed the country into two recessions, a short one in 1980 and a severe downturn in 1981-82. These efforts made him so unpopular at the time that he was given Secret Service protection. But in the end he did succeed in conquering the high inflation that had plagued the country throughout the 1970s.

In addition to fighting inflation through monetary controls, Volcker took the lead in managing the Third World debt crisis, which erupted in 1982 with the threatened default of Mexico.

Analysts say Greenspan, because of his lack of expertise in international economics, may move the Fed



CAN HE FILL HIS SHOES: Alan Greenspan (left) and Paul Volcker at the White House press conference last week, where Volcker's decision not to accept a third term was announced. (AFP)

away from being such an active player in debt negotiations.

Economists also predict that Greenspan's free-market beliefs will lead to a new direction concerning deregulation of the banking industry, something that Volcker has long opposed.

In many areas, though, economists predict Greenspan will sound much like his predecessor. Both men, for instance, have issued frequent warnings about the need to

reduce the huge federal budget deficits.

Some wonder whether Greenspan, a Republican, would be able to act independently, especially during the 1988 presidential election, when Republicans will be counting on an expanding economy to help them hold onto the White House. But many analysts say Greenspan has exhibited an independent streak in previous Republican administrations and was likely to continue doing so.

THE TAX BURDEN/Jeff Broide

Trimmed fringes

The Israeli taxpayer is engaged in a perpetual search for those fringe benefits that are still tax free or are subject to lower tax rates. While it is true that prior to the 1975 reform, such tax-free benefits were often abused, the reform has, in some cases, dealt too harshly with these and several other legitimate business expenses. Today, many of these benefits are non-deductible expenses for purposes of income and value-added taxes or, alternatively, are taxable in the hands of the beneficiary. Here we shall consider some of the more common fringe benefits:

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Accommodation expenditure for local business trips is deductible, if hotel or other bills are supplied. Expenditure on light refreshments such as soft drinks, coffee, tea and biscuits provided at the business for clients, customers, suppliers or other business associates is deductible.

• **OVERSEAS TRAVEL:** Expenditure incurred on overseas business trips is deductible if essential and not merely desirable for "production of income." The authorities apply these provisions very strictly. The deductible allowance rates are \$70 for accommodation (where receipts are available) and \$45 for other expenses. If no receipts are available, a daily amount of \$60 is permitted. Expenditure on gifts purchased during the trip may be deducted up to \$15 per recipient. Flight, travel and telephone expenses are also deductible.

• **GIFTS AND DISCOUNTS TO EMPLOYEES:** Gifts not exceeding NIS 60 per employee per annum are not taxable, neither are discounts on goods or services purchased by employees not exceeding NIS 22 per person per month.

• **TELEPHONE AND LITERATURE:** Telephone allowances are taxable as ordinary salary. However, expenses for overseas calls made in the ordinary course of business are tax-deductible if a detailed record is maintained.

Professional-literature allowances are taxable in the hands of the employee. Actual expenditure on professional or technical literature is deductible as a normal business expense, provided it is incurred in "producing income."

• **CLOTHING:** Clothing allowances are also taxable. However, if the clothing is essential for the purpose of business (e.g. protective) and does not serve any use outside that framework, such expenses are deductible.

• **SUBSIDIZED ACCOMMODATION:** An employee who receives rent-free or subsidized accommodation is taxed on the value of such benefits. If the employer pays municipal taxes, electricity, water, gas, etc., these payments are also liable to tax in the hands of the employee. Only in some cases - if the apartment serves primarily to enable the employee to fulfill his job - will such benefits not be taxable.

• **SUBSIDIZED LOANS:** Interest-free or low-interest loans to employees are liable to tax on the difference between the interest paid and changes in the consumer price index. If the difference in interest does not exceed NIS 22 per month, then no tax liability exists.

• **SHARE AND OTHER OPTIONS:** If, in exercising an option of the purchase of shares or other assets, a difference exists between the purchase price and the market value, the difference is liable to tax in the hands of the employee. However, the law does permit spreading the taxable difference over a period not exceeding six years. In many instances, difficulties will be encountered in determining the market value of certain options, such as shares or other assets in private companies.

The writer is a Certified Public Accountant (Israel). Questions may be addressed to him c/o The Jerusalem Post.

Irish eyes are smiling, but the Irish themselves aren't trading much with Israel

By KEN SCHACHTER

TEL AVIV. — Which pint-sized nation of about four million people is witnessing a worrisome emigration of its young people? Which country once chafed under the thumb of British power? Which country feels its fate closely entwined with a strip of land under such dispute that even its name is a point of contention? Still stumped? Okay, which country, whose name begins with "I," is governed by a powerful religious structure on matters temporal and a shaky coalition on matters political?

If the name Israel comes to mind, award yourself full credit. But if you said Ireland, the land of the bogs and the little people, then pour yourself a stout.

Though the parallels between the Irish and Israeli experience rarely are drawn, Tel Aviv lawyer Daniel Fosman is counting on them.

In the mind of Fosman, secretary-general of the recently formed Israel-Ireland Chamber of Commerce, once Israeli and Irish businessmen discover each other, they will find a wealth of business possibilities. But first must come the geography and history lesson. Most Israelis don't know the difference between Ireland and Northern Ireland, or, as the Irish say, "free Ireland" and the land "north of the

border," Fosman says. Though Israel's president, Belfast-born and Dublin-educated Chaim Herzog, is known throughout the Emerald Isle, many Irishmen still see Israel as a land of desert and camels, he says.

Once those stereotypes are punctured, Fosman declares, Israel-Ireland trade will take off. At the moment, bilateral trade is hovering at roughly the \$20 million-mark in each direction, with Ireland export-

ing meat, electronic components and milk powders to Israel, which in turn exports textiles, citrus and other food products, chemicals, flowers and jewelry to Ireland.

Fosman's strategy for the two-month-old chamber is to follow the pattern of Israel's relations with another staunchly Catholic country, Spain: Expand trade relations to overcome economic pressures exerted by the Arab bloc and use those "facts and figures" to induce the two nations to exchange ambassadors. Fosman contends that \$100 million in trade in each direction can be reached around the end of the decade and once that threshold is crossed and tourism levels increase, the political process will come as a matter of course.

Currently, Israel and Ireland have diplomatic relations, but Ireland's interests are looked after by the ambassador to Greece, Charles Whelan, who is accredited to Israel and comes here every few months.

Israel's interests in Ireland are handled through the embassy in London. But with high levels of trade and a hoped-for direct air link between Dublin and Tel Aviv carrying religious pilgrims, businessmen and Irish Unifil soldiers, Fosman voices confidence that the political echelon will fall in line.

"If you're showing there's traffic and tourism, there's no way the two governments won't sign an agreement," he says.

While Fosman aims to increase awareness and heighten bilateral

trade, Zvi Levy, the representative of the Industrial Development Authority of Ireland in Israel, is promoting joint research ventures and industrial cooperation.

As Levy sees it, Ireland's full European Community membership, its abundant financing and its neutral political stance could assist Israeli firms seeking to bring technological innovations to market.

Levy reckons that Fosman may be a bit optimistic in his goal of attaining \$100m. in trade in three years. He figures five years might be a more realistic time-frame. Still, as any Israeli or Irishman would be quick to add, in the land of miracles and the land of leprechauns, visionaries sometimes can create their own reality.

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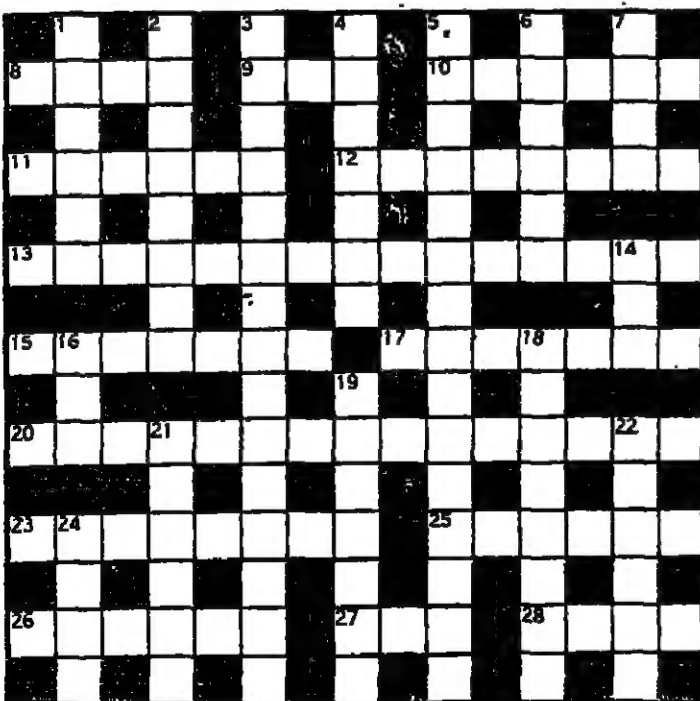
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- 12 What a pest is when there's a slight difference of opinion about? (8)
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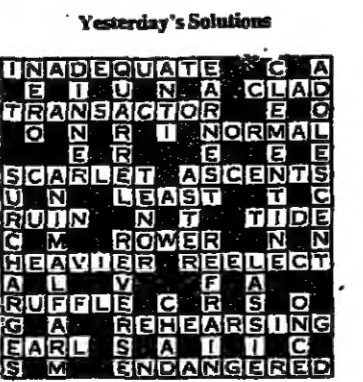
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- 28 A change from last season? (4)

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- 2 A climber that thrives in different climates (8)
- 3 Nobody objects if he gets the appointment (9,6)
- 4 Incidental outcome of cancelling the cycle ride? (4-3)



- 5 One of the last things to come off the assembly-line (8,7)
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G-7 vows closer currency coordination

VENICE. — Finance leaders of the world's seven largest industrial democracies agreed that the fall of the U.S. dollar should be halted and endorsed a plan calling for tighter currency stabilization.

The plan, incorporated into yesterday's final summit communiqué, is designed to prevent sharp fluctuations among major currencies like the recent plunge of the dollar.

Under the new policy, economic forecasts developed by the 192-nation International Monetary Fund would be used for charting actions that could lead to government intervention in exchange markets to prop up the dollar or other currencies.

Financial markets showed scant attention to the communiqué. The dollar edged a little higher but re-

mained stuck in a narrow range, as dealers reported negligible impact on European stock and bond markets. Gold was fixed in London just \$1 down on the morning at \$456.65 an ounce.

"We did not expect anything from Venice, and nothing came," said George Altemann, a senior share dealer with Union Bank of Switzerland in Zurich.

Comments by the seven leaders that "further substantial shifts in exchange rates could be counterproductive" was one of the few elements, that could be important for the market, said one foreign exchange dealer.

The procedure, adopted by the Group of Seven at Venice is a follow-through on a concept launched at last year's economic summit in

Tokyo. It will use economic indicators like trade balances, inflation and gross national product growth to help the U.S. Federal Reserve and other national central banks coordinate their sales and purchases of different currencies — a process known as intervention.

The accord calls for the G-7 — composed of finance ministers and central bank chairmen of each of the seven summit nations — to meet at least three times a year for economic coordination. At these meetings, and at others called when necessary, the leaders will make "best efforts to agree on remedial efforts," said a U.S. official who spoke on Tuesday on condition of anonymity.

A part of the plan that was not disclosed outlined the ranges that currencies might be allowed to roam

before action to stabilize them is taken. Nor were the exact indicators to be used released.

A British official, who also briefed reporters on the condition of anonymity, said that under the pact each country would have to present early each year a "medium-term course" outlining its economic objectives and forecasts.

"There is no surrender of sovereignty in this agreement, sovereign governments will be responsible for their own policies," the British official said.

The finance ministers also reaffirmed agreements reached in Paris and Washington earlier this year calling for efforts to stabilize the dollar around "current levels."

That agreement also called for the U.S. to do more to lower its budget

deficit and for export-driven economies like Japan and West Germany to do more to stimulate their economies.

The dollar has fallen roughly 50 per cent since mid-1985 against other major currencies. While this has held out the promise of easing the record \$166 billion U.S. trade deficit, it has also created economic hardship in West Germany and Japan, and has threatened to rekindle inflation in the U.S.

Japan and West Germany, under fire from the others beforehand for failing to get the world economy moving by stoking domestic demand, said they had fought a successful rearguard action and even gone on the offensive. Bonn said it was up to Tokyo to resolve world economic problems. (AP/Reuters)

Tefahot profit soared in first quarter '87

Post Economic Staff

Bank Tefahot, the country's largest mortgage bank, saw earnings soar in the first quarter.

In a brief statement released yesterday without any commentary, the United Mizrahi Bank-owned company reported that gross un-audited profit for the January-March period came to NIS 9.26 million, compared with an inflation-adjusted NIS 9.07m. in the nine months to December 31, 1986.

On an annual basis, that is telescoping first-quarter results to a full year, Tefahot's earnings jumped 251 per cent from last year, the bank said.

Net profit stood at NIS 2.57m., an increase of 155 per cent from 1986 on an annualized basis. Taxes subtracted NIS 5.21m. from the gross, and losses from subsidiaries trimmed another NIS 1.81m. Both took a considerably bigger share of gross than last year: Taxes were equal to 56 per cent of gross, compared with 40 per cent last year, while losses from subsidiaries, without adjusting for inflation, were nearly half the level for all of 1986.

The figures gave Tefahot a net return of equity of 10.8 per cent, a considerable improvement over the

4.3 per cent the bank had for all of 1986.

The bank's balance sheet edged up from December 31, 1986 one per cent to NIS 2.86 billion as of March 31 this year. Capital means stood at NIS 101.3m. on March 31, up 2.6 per cent from the end of the previous quarter.

Loans to the public grew 1.3 per cent to stand at NIS 2.65b. at the end of the quarter.

Meanwhile, Tefahot's Carmel Mortgage and Investment Bank unit offered equally impressive figures. Unaudited results released yesterday showed the bank had a gross profit of NIS 352,000 in the January-March quarter, compared with NIS 237,000 for the nine months to December 31, 1986. On an annualized basis, gross earnings jumped 379 per cent. Net was up a sharper 957 per cent to NIS 324,000.

As a result, the net return on equity at Carmel came to an impressive 22.5 per cent.

Capital means at the end of the quarter stood at NIS 6.53m., up 5.2 per cent from December 31, 1986, while the balance sheet grew 1.6 per cent to NIS 166.6m. Loans to the public rose 1.6 per cent to stand at NIS 162.5m. on March 31.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Leumi names new business dept. head

Shoshana Weinthal is replacing Ya'acov Ertel as head of the business department at Bank Leumi, becoming the first woman to join its top management, the bank said yesterday.

Ertel resigned under pressure last week, as part of the shake-up of Leumi management by its new chief executive officer Zedek Bino. Weinthal had been widely rumored as a candidate to succeed Ertel.

A lawyer, Weinthal was assistant department head and manager of the central Tel Aviv branch. Leumi said he would continue as branch manager, as part of its programme of combining management of the central branch with the business department to improve customer services and reduce costs.

Replacing her as assistant business department head is Rafi Peled, 48, 30 was until now the senior aide to no.

HE EMPLOYMENT SERVICE OFFICES said this week its office had received 34,913 applications during May, up over 18 per cent from the previous month. The number unemployed for six days or more was also up, to 14,507, compared with 13,755, or an increase of about 5.4 per cent.

However, the figure was down about 30 per cent from May 1986, when 21,000 were jobless for six days or more, the service added.

Moreover, the number of requests for workers from employers grew around 30 per cent to 22,250 in May.

A DE BEERS UNIT has purchased 510,000 new shares in Bank Leumi (Britain), equal to an 8.8 per cent stake, at £4 each, the bank's partner company reported on Monday. Diorap Holdings Ltd., a wholly owned unit of De Beers Consolidated Mines Ltd., paid £2 million for the shares.

After the sale is approved by the London Stock Exchange, and the bank's shareholders at a June 24 general meeting, Diorap official Timothy W.H. Capon will join the Leumi (British) board of directors.

The funds will be used by the bank for general purposes, Leumi said. The Diorap deal marks the second capital injection Leumi has received this year. In March, CP Holdings Ltd. acquired another 510,000 shares for a total consideration of 1.8m.

Diorap bought shares in Leumi (Switzerland) in March as well.

ISRAELI WORKING IN ITALY temporarily will no longer be subject to Italian national insurance contributions under an accord approved by the cabinet this week.

At present, Israeli companies, including El Al and Zim Navigation Co., that send employees to Italy must pay national insurance contributions to Israel and Italy. Italian national insurance rates are high compared with Israel: around 55 per cent of the employee's salary if rent assistance, travel expenses and a contribution to the employee's child's university tuition fee are included as part of the salary.

Under the agreement, both Israeli and Italian employers will only pay their home country's national insurance dues.

HOGIA CHEMICALS LTD., a new subsidiary of the American-Israeli Paper Mills Ltd., Tuesday launched a line of household detergents aimed at competing with imports. Called "Pisga," the product line is made for Hogia by the chemical factory of Kibbutz Dahlia.

Hogia officials estimated that 30 per cent of all household detergents and cleaning materials sold in Israel today are imported. The new local products include a washing machine powder and a line of products for dishwashers under the brand-name "Karat."

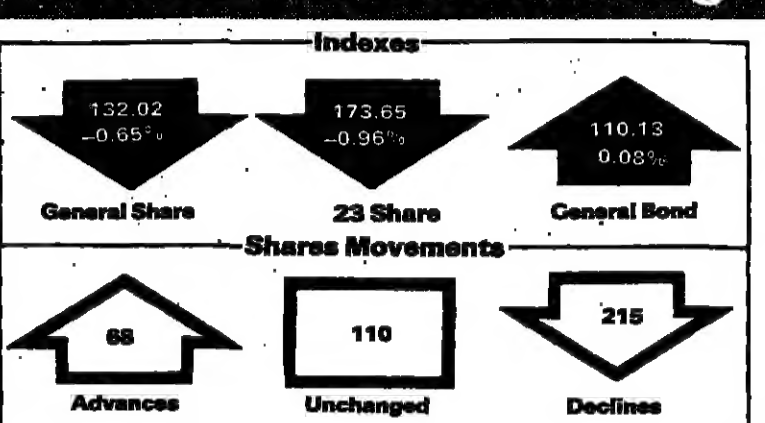
The paper mills, together with Kibbutz Dahlia, invested nearly \$3 million to launch the new household detergent line. The filling and packaging plant for Pisga products is in Netanya.

COMPANY RESULTS

Company	1986	1987*
Nikrav Computers Ltd.		
Revenue	NIS 8.91m.	7.82m.
Net income	1.16m.	(975,000)
Per share	20.24	(16.37)
* Compared with 9 months to March 31, 1986.		

Company	1986	1987
Haral Bonded Warehouses Ltd.		
Revenue	NIS 806,000	787,000
Net income	(1.3m.)	(3.21m.)
Per share	25.5	41.7
* Compared with 9 months to March 31, 1986.		

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Change in building code

Post Knesset Reporter

Home and building plot owners, hamstrung by the complicated bylaws of local and district building laws, can take hope that help is in sight. The Knesset earlier this week gave unanimous approval to what will streamline procedures to be followed by those seeking building permits.

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The real outlaws

WHEN is a vile act not a vile act?

That is the great semantic conundrum over which the country seems to be racking its brains this week. To the handful of settlers in Judea and Samaria the answer is obvious. An act which would be vile if perpetrated by Arabs against Jews is not necessarily vile if committed by Jews against Arabs. That is how the little pogrom at Dehaishe last Saturday night is in effect being excused in Kiryat Arba and beyond, even by those who concede that it was not, well, very nice.

Because Jews always act in self-defence against Arabs, while Arabs simply wish to hit Jews.

But then how account for the fact that the rampaging Kiryat Arba crowd also beat up IDF soldiers and officers when they were trying - even if with less than complete success - to shield defenceless Arab residents at Dehaishe from the stones hurled and bullets fired by the attacking Jewish settlers? To the settlers, once they have done with denying what they did, the answer again is simplicity itself, even if it is not openly spelled out.

For it is the settlers who know what is best for themselves, for the IDF, and for all Israel. They know that they are what's best for Israel, and that is Judea and Samaria and not Galilee or the Negev or the Sharon that represents the true Israel.

The duty of "Old Israel" - that negligible periphery behind the non-existent Green Line - and its army is to see to it that Judea and Samaria are plastered all over with Jewish settlements, and that not a hair of a settler's head is lost in the process due to hostile terrorist action. Soldiers and officers who, instead of standing guard over the settlers, prevent them from attacking what they consider to be a dangerous nest of terrorism, deserve to be beaten up.

For rather than follow settlers' orders, they adhere to a policy set by the defence minister, who unfortunately does not know better.

In the Knesset yesterday Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin, his voice shaking with fury, said he would "no longer tolerate" such assaults by persons he termed hooligans on IDF soldiers and officers. It is a pity such assaults had been tolerated in the past, for they only emboldened the settlers to believe that they and their political friends constituted the real government in the territories effective for all time.

The war on terrorism must not and will not stop, as Mr. Rabin vowed yesterday, and as the harsh measures taken by the army at Dehaishe yesterday indicated. But similarly harsh measures must be taken against those outlaws, the terrorist anti-terrorists, who consider themselves to be above the law because they are the agents of the greatest cause of them all, the cause of Greater Eretz Yisrael.

Iranian terrorism

TO THE TUNE of bombs exploding at the U.S. and British embassies in Rome, the six western leaders assembled in Venice this week have for the first time jointly and explicitly undertaken to make no concessions to terrorists or their sponsors.

They promised to cooperate more fully in the investigation, apprehension and prosecution of terrorists, and in particular in putting on trial or extraditing the perpetrators of terrorist acts. They also pledged to halt all air travel to and from countries that refuse to cooperate in cases involving hijackings, as well as other violations of aviation security.

The proof of the pudding will need to be in the eating. Italy, the summit's host, has a long record, which is yet to be interrupted, of faint-heartedness in the face of especially Libyan-sponsored terrorism. France's record on PLO terrorism has not been very much better.

Even the U.S., a world-leader in the fight against terrorism, sought only two years ago to ransom American hostages held in Lebanon by Iranian-sponsored terrorists, and incidentally to assure Iran's turn to western-oriented moderation after Khomeini's supposedly imminent death, by supplying, with Israel's help, badly needed arms to the regime in Teheran.

Now the U.S. president calls the Iranians barbarians, and is planning, if not to pre-emptively "take out" the Chinese land-to-sea missiles which Iran is said ready to deploy along the Straits of Hormuz, at least to have American warships escort Kuwaiti tankers flying the U.S. flag in the Persian Gulf. Where Soviet warships, at Kuwait's invitation, are now already stationed in fear of the Iranians.

The inconstancy of American policy is one reason the major western governments have been somewhat reluctant to follow the U.S. lead on terrorism. Certainly there is no doubt any longer what the role of Iran, under the rule of the fully alive Khomeini, is in world affairs. The terrorist-like drubbing given to British diplomat Chaplin by "revolutionary guards" in the Iranian capital is only the most recent, and most overt, manifestation of that role.

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ask whether you had read the document?

Horn: "No, he did not ask me."

In another exchange, O'Connor got the witness to say that after the August 2, 1943 revolt at Treblinka, when much of the camp was burned down, one or two more transports were gassed.

O'Connor then confronted Horn with his 1980 statement that he had known of no further transports after the revolt.

Taking off on yet another tack, O'Connor asked Horn about his postings after he left Treblinka in September 1943. Horn said that following a period of sick leave and a short stay in Berlin, he was sent to a rice mill in Trieste to take part in anti-partisan activities. O'Connor said that the property of Italian Jews who had been killed was kept at the rice mill.

In Trieste, Horn was jailed for two weeks together with Eisoldt, his friend from Treblinka, following the interception of letters in which the two had complained about the new chief of their unit.

O'Connor: "In the letter which incriminated you, you did not protest against the killing of Jews."

Horn: "I don't remember."

Following his jail sentence, Horn was posted to a regular army unit in Czechoslovakia and eventually taken prisoner by the Russians.

He was released and returned to Germany in 1947.

O'Connor reminded Horn that in 1980 he had answered "no" when asked whether he would recognize his old friend Eisoldt.

Horn: "I couldn't recognize him today."

O'Connor: "So how can you say you recognize Ivan of Treblinka since you say you wouldn't recognize your own best friend?"

Horn replied that he had said there was a resemblance between Ivan of the gas chambers and the photos he had been shown. "I didn't say I was sure."

O'Connor then questioned Horn at length on the manner in which U.S. Justice Department officials had shown him two sets of eight photos in 1980. Horn had made no identification from the first set which showed men in civilian clothes. He picked out John Demjanjuk, however, from the second set showing men in military uniform.

Towards the end of the session, three women reporters from Reuters, the German Press Agency and a local paper were in the small courtroom. This followed the decision by Judge Mueller earlier in the day to allow some local reporters to be present.

The attention of most of the press here yesterday focused on the rehearsal of the military parade for President Reagan's visit tomorrow.

ANY TIME would be a good time to terminate the Knesset privileges of Meir Kahane, but present circumstances are particularly auspicious. The rampage in Dehaishe refugee camp, reportedly organized and led by the racist rabbi's supporters from Kiryat Arba, dramatizes the immediacy of the danger that Kahane represents. At the same time, it puts the spotlight on the issue of the rule of law, which lies at the heart of Kahane's studied refusal to make the prescribed affirmation as a Knesset member.

This writer proposed unseating Kahane in an article in *The Jerusalem Post* (December 25, 1986), before the matter of Kahane's deposition before an American court, denying that he had taken an oath of allegiance in assuming his Knesset seat, had become public knowledge. At that time, I pointed out that Kahane's qualification to the prescribed words was an expression of a denial of the obligation to observe the law of the land if it contravened his view of the law of the Torah. This represented a claim to a religiously-oriented right of civil disobedience.

After Kahane's declaration abroad became known in this country, Knesset Speaker Shlomo Hillel referred the issue to the attorney-general. In accordance with his advice, he has now deprived Kahane of the Knesset podium. As anticipated, Kahane has now applied to the High Court for the restoration of

The rule of law

No compromise

Allan E. Shapiro

his parliamentary privileges.

If ever there was a patent failure to come to court with clean hands, this is certainly an example. While the declaration in the foreign court does not alter the facts, which are preserved in the Knesset protocols, it is clear evidence of the state of mind and of the intentions of Meir Kahane when he took his carefully phrased, qualified pledge at the opening session of the Knesset, which he has now repeated in slightly altered form, in anticipation of the court test that has now begun.

At the same time, the Dehaishe episode emphasizes that the real danger Kahane represents is in the street, not in the Knesset. While Knesset membership has hardly domesticated the rabble-rousing rabbi to the conduct of a parliamentary body, neither has he had any particular success in manipulating his Knesset membership as an instrument for furthering his political aims or personal ambitions.

While the Knesset will be well rid of him, excluding Kahane from the nation's parliament will contribute little to curbing his extra-parliamentary activities. The neigh-

bourhood rallies and the vigilante violence can be expected to continue, perhaps even to intensify. With the denial of Knesset privileges, extra-parliamentary activism can be represented as acquiring a new legitimacy.

LEGITIMACY has been a key concept in the argument about the disqualification of Kahane's Knesset list from participation in elections to the Knesset. The view has been advanced that, by approving the right of the Kach list to compete in the Knesset elections, the High Court conferred legitimacy on the party and, by implication, on its racist platform. This, of course, was not the intention of the five justices who unanimously reversed the disqualification of the party's list by the Knesset Election Committee.

Permitting Kach to run in the Knesset elections could be considered a grant of legitimacy to the movement only if the process of qualifying a party list for the ballot includes scrutiny of its political prog-

ramme.

After the last elections, the Knesset passed a law that provided for the disqualification of parties whose programme was either racist or denied the existence of Israel as a Jewish state. Since the passage of that law, whatever may have been the case previously, approval of a party list to participate in the elections may well be regarded as a conferring of legitimacy.

At the same time, legitimacy has been granted to the principle of limiting access to the ballot on the basis of a party's platform. Once legitimacy is granted, the principle of disqualification threatens to expand.

For example, the proposal of Hanna Siniora to run in the Jerusalem municipal elections has been met in some quarters with demands for additional legislation to disqualify a party that seeks to change the present status of the city.

Similarly, Sari Nusseibeh's programme with its thrust in the direction of bi-nationalism, once supported by Martin Buber, Judah Magnes, and part of the Zionist left, has evoked demands for additional restrictions

on access to the ballot, both for Knesset lists and for Knesset voters. The problem of where to draw the line has always been a major difficulty in any restriction on access to the ballot. Previously, the problem was theoretical. With the appearance of proposals such as that of Siniora and of Nusseibeh, it becomes actual.

THE DANGER from Meir Kahane's membership in the Knesset has proved, by the experience of the last few years, to have been minimal. However, the spread of his influence looms as a major concern for the future to Israel's democratic society, and is likely to be little affected by denying him the privileges of the Knesset, desirable as that is. This suggests that the major struggle against the spread of Kahane's racist ideas should be in areas other than the constitutional issue of qualifications for election to the Knesset.

Vigilante activity, such as the Dehaishe rampage, involves no problems of the limits of freedom of expression or of equality of elect or to be elected. Like the refusal of Kahane to make the statutory affirmation in the Knesset, it challenges the rule of law itself. This is a matter that involves no troubling dilemmas of where to draw the line. On this issue, there must be no compromises.

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A VERY PREGNANT woman climbed the stairs in a Jerusalem neighbourhood known for its generosity (or for its English-speaking, religious residents) and asked for a donation. "My niece, a baby, has to have a liver transplant," she explained.

I asked for details, telling her that if the Health Ministry confirmed the facts of the case, I could be of more help writing about the baby in the newspaper I worked for than by donating a few shekels. She promised she would call later, after getting permission from her family. I never saw her again.

The woman may have been telling the truth, in which case it is pitiful to raise the tens of thousands of dollars needed for a liver transplant abroad by going from door to door. She may also have been lying, using the story of a liver transplant to get a hand-out.

Either way, it's a sad business. Needing a heart or liver transplant, or requiring one of those rare operations or treatments not available in Israel, can happen to anyone. It could happen to oneself or a spouse, a parent or a child, a grandchild or a sibling.

A heart, weakened by successive heart attacks, may have to be replaced by a donated organ.

Banking on health care

Judy Siegel-Itzkovich

Hadassah-University Hospital in Jerusalem has received official Health Ministry approval to perform a heart transplant at any time, but no family has yet been willing to contribute the heart of a just-deceased dear one.

The same situation exists at Haifa's Rambam Hospital, which has been appointed the centre for liver transplantation, and which has all the trained staff and facilities necessary. But no organs are available, forcing those in need to go abroad for a much more expensive operation.

ONE COULD BE forced to try a foreign hospital for correction of rare heart defects in babies, or for some other procedure that Israeli doctors are unable to perform. Years ago, all of these unfortunate patients were doomed to die. But now there is hope of their being saved.

The health funds are willing to subsidize only some of the hospital expenses, and the ministry is ready to cover the travel tax of the patient

and the person who accompanies him - if it is satisfied that the operation cannot be performed in Israel. But the cost of the operation and the often-protracted stay abroad is not covered.

The lucky ones are those who manage to reach the press, which prints sob-stories about the case, preferably with a photo of an adorable baby or a good-looking adult. Some are fortunate enough to be in the employ of a big company or organization or a member of an ultra-Orthodox community that is able to run a quick and effective fund-raising campaign, but dozens of patients have died while their friends and relatives have tried to raise the money.

"Tough luck, life can be cruel," argue those willing to put up with this situation. But the country spends tens of thousands of dollars keeping premature babies weighing

less than a kilo in the hospital until they are strong enough to go home. The Jewish Agency and the Absorption Ministry spend as much settling in a new immigrant. Israel needs people - and Israelis unfortunately enough to need medical care abroad deserve just as much.

But who will pay? The health funds, financially propped up by the government, say they can't afford it. The Health Ministry, spinning from one hospital crisis to another like a juggler balancing a pile of plates, says the same.

Citizens Rights Movement MK Yossi Sarid promised a few years ago to try to establish a public fund to pay for life-saving operations abroad, but nothing came of it.

Health Minister Shoshana Arbeli-Almosino, in a belated effort, approached Asher Halperin, chairman of the Israel Association of Banks, with a request that the banks establish such a fund. But according to ministry sources, she was turned down flat, told that the banks "have their own problems."

THE TOTAL budget needed to cover the expenses of the several dozen Israelis who need treatment abroad annually is estimated at \$15 million. That's quite a figure, but when you think of it, really not much, considering the hundreds of millions spent on medical care in this country - or the millions spent by banks on their advertising campaigns.

The banks, soiled by the various scandals of recent years, could quite easily rehabilitate their image with the public if they adopted this cause as their own. Remember the very generous handouts they received from the national coffers to resolve the bank shares fiasco.

Let them jointly set up a fund and jointly publicize the before-and-after photos of Israeli patients going abroad with a dying heart and coming back like new. The public will love it - and view the banks with new respect.

After all, wasn't it the banks that a few years ago declared, in an expensive advertising campaign, that they were "the OXYGEN of the country"? Let them provide the oxygen for Israelis desperate to live, and able to do so only if they or their families have a fat bank account.

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READERS' LETTERS

WHO SPEAKS FOR SOVIET JEWRY?

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post* Sir, - Walter Ruby's article of May 5, "Don't send your leaders to Moscow," and Abraham H. Foxman's reaction to it (Letters - May 13) highlight one of the major controversies facing the Soviet Jewry movement today. No less important than any current strategic or ideological disagreement is the question of who is best qualified to determine policy for the movement as a whole - the large "mainstream" organizations in the West or Soviet Jews themselves.

This issue was at the source of the incident which occurred at the annual Solidarity March for Soviet Jewry in New York. Yosef Mendelovich, one of the heroic figures in the Soviet Jewry movement, criticized the Bronfman-Abram proposal to the Soviets. Morris Abram dismissed Mendelovich's words as representing mere personal opinion, though he should know that he heads the Soviet Jewry Education and Information Center (SJEIC) - the organization that represents the "mainstream" of the Jewish national movement in the USSR and its former activists residing in Israel. (Characteristically, when Jerry Goodman, Executive Director of NCSJ, told Ruby that "many" young refuseniks today do not agree with the approach of Mendelovich and Sharansky, he was unable to name names.)

Mendelovich's criticism fully reflected the opinion of the activist community in the Soviet Union and its frustration with the Jewish establishment leadership. Maybe the reason for the shameful decision of the rally organizers not to invite Yosef Mendelovich to speak was exactly this: his is the true voice of Soviet Jewry - his opinion is not just a personal one and definitely not one that "Jewish leadership" can dictate.

YURI SHTERN
 SJEIC Spokesman

AMERICAN-ISRAELI RELATIONSHIP

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post* Sir, - Martin Fox claims that Israel is a protected client of the USA, not ally, a *schnorrer* (Letters - June 1).

I suggest he stretch his imagination and consider what would be the geopolitical situation of the U.S. if it had no strong, stable and loyal ally in the Middle East; if it could rely only on a spineless Europe and the changing kaleidoscope of Moslem rivalries to protect the western world's manifold interests in this region.

The U.S. would be obliged to maintain by force a base in the Middle East which would cost 10 times as much in money and 1,000 times as much in blood as it has so far spent in "protecting" Israel.

America's spending on Israel's security, in an arms race which is half its making, is without doubt its highest returning investment. The U.S.

and Israel enjoy a symbiotic relationship; and who is protecting whom, from what, at what expense in what coin, and why, could make a fascinating debate.

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 Jerusalem.

TAMIR

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The Agriculture Ministry said that it could not afford to finance such a delegation and that it was customary for the Foreign Ministry in such cases to foot all, or part, of the bill. Tamir was adamant and no Israelis were sent.

Tamir also denies flatly that during his three-week tour of the Far East last month, he tried to enter China and was rebuffed. "I didn't plan to go to China and didn't try, in Hongkong or Japan, to get permission to go," says Tamir, commenting on a report that he had indeed applied for permission but was told that he could enter China only on a "tourist visa" and not meet any officials.

Tamir says of his Far Eastern tour, which took to six countries, that it helped "create a starting line for major progress" in advancing Israeli-East Asian relations, especially in the economic sphere. Foreign Ministry sources defined Tamir's "serious study" for developing such relations as "laudable," saying that no director-general had previously embarked on such an enterprise. Minervini, who accompanied Tamir on the tour, called it "successful."

Tamir says that Israel's exports to the Far East and Australia now amount to \$890 million annually, "but there is potential for reaching

\$3 billion within a few years and launching major joint industrial projects."

However, his efforts during his tour to obtain agreement in Japan, Singapore, South Korea and Thailand for a major change of political-economic attitudes towards Israel were apparently less than successful, according to sources in Jerusalem. The only concrete agreement reached was for the visit of a delegation of Israeli industrialists to South Korea and Japan in October-November.

In each major capital, Tamir's efforts to obtain agreement for the establishment of trade commissioners or attaches were parried with promises of "we'll consider it," or "let's talk about this at a later date." Tamir, in heated arguments with his hosts in Bangkok, Tokyo and Singapore, suggested that the Asian countries were continuing to treat Israel in accordance with political-economic strategies dictated back in 1973-74 by the realities of the oil crisis. The world has changed since then, as have Israel's relations with its neighbours, Tamir argued, with apparently little success. "I didn't really expect them to adopt my views and say I was right," says Tamir.

In Seoul, the South Korean government said "it would consider" Tamir's suggestion to have an Israeli consul who would deal with "problems relating to the 1988

Seoul Olympic games." But the South Koreans flatly denied - after the matter was leaked in Jerusalem - that "agreement in principle" had been reached with Tamir for the establishment of an Israeli trade office in Seoul. Tamir says, however, that it "is possible that Israel will employ a local (South Korean) attached to Israel's embassy in Tokyo, to work on developing economic relations with South Korea. That is our prerogative."

In Singapore, Tamir spoke about the establishment of a Singapore embassy or at least trade attaché in Tel Aviv, but Singapore Trade Minister Lee Hsien Loong, who is prime minister Lee Kuan Yew's son, rejected the idea, apparently because of the fears of Moslem pressure of threats.

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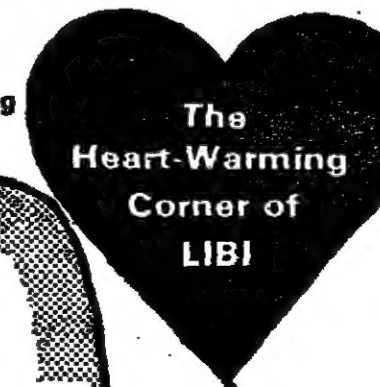
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